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The Jones Boys Stole the Show

at the White Elephant Auction in December

The California Quarter is the first of the 5 state coins to be released in 2005. Due in January.

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Minutes of 7 December 2004 Meeting

The 197th meeting of the Society met at the North Park Adult Center with about 30 members and guests present.

There was no formal meeting. The December meeting was given over as traditionally to a dinner and a white elephant auction, the proceeds of which will provide coins and prizes for drawings at the January Installation Banquet.

We had the delicious repast of linguini with marinara sauce, meatballs, salad, garlic bread, cakes that Rex Salmon prepared and served to about 24 people. Several members came in later.

We had the raffle with 10 prizes but I didn't get the names of the winners because people were paying $6 dues and I was writing receipts. The donation auction was called by Dave Jones and brought in $245, which is more than last year.

The January 4 installation dinner will be at Coco's Restaurant, 2644 El Cajon Blvd., at 6:30. We can choose from the menu and get separate checks. An attendance gold piece will be awarded to someone who contributed to the meetings in 2004.

Kay Edgerton Lenker

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, January 4, at 6 p.m.

Installation Banquet at 6:30 p.m. at Coco's Restaurant, 2644 El Cajon Blvd – block north of our meeting place.

Meet on 1st Tuesday of each month

North Park Adult Center, 2719 Howard St., San Diego

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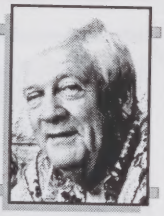

CSNA Symposium March 12

The Mexican Revolution, the Denver Mint, John Law, and so-call dollars will be subjects for the 37th Annual CSNA Numismatic Educational Symposium on March 12 in Fullerton.

CSNA Education Director Jim Hunt said the symposium – which includes exhibits, raffle, and luncheon – will be at the Wyndham Hotel, 222 W. Houston Ave. (By 91 Freeway), from 10 to 4.

Jim said the hotel has a special CSNA rate: $69 single, $79 double, (714) 992-1700. The luncheon will cost $17 with 2 choices. Jim said the symposium is free and provides a great opportunity to expand numismatic knowledge.

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Jeff was the publisher of CALCOIN NEWS for over 10 years and is a CSNA Medal of Merit recipient. For the ANA National Money Show in Sacramento in 1999 Jeff was the Numismatic Theatre Chairman.

Jeff is a local and national award-winning exhibitor and has given dozens of presentations on various numismatic subjects. His many memberships include Life Member of the ANA.

Joe Flores on "Viva La Revolucion"

Joe is an avid numismatist who loves collecting all types of coins. He first collected U.S. coins and then settled on coins of the Mexican Revolution (1910-1920), which he has collected for over 35 years. He is a well-known author on the subject.

He owns the largest and most complete collection of Mexican Revolution coins in the world. About 300 of his rarest coins were displayed at the ANA Money Museum in Colorado Springs during 2003 and 2004.

Michael Lantz on "My Experiences at the Denver Mint"

Michael retired as Coin Press and Coin Production General Foreman, Coining Division of the United States Mint at Denver after 34 years of service. His working experience included machine operator, press operator, and die setter prior to being a supervisor.

He ran some of the first Kennedy Half Dollars in December 1963 and took part in the 1965 Peace Dollar Program. He also set up the coin presses at the Nevada State Museum and the Old San Francisco Mint, made the Colorado Centennial silver and bronze medals, and worked on foreign coin orders. He has been a speaker at the ANA's Numismatic Theatre and at many other numismatic organizations.

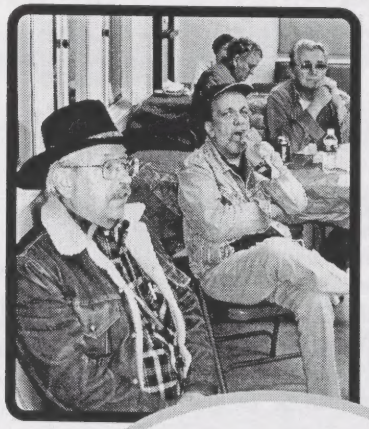
Joel Anderson on "John Law and the Mississippi Bubble"

Joel started collecting coins in the third grade. He found two 1955-S cents in circulation and sold them to the local coin store for 20 cents each and decided that this was the hobby for him.

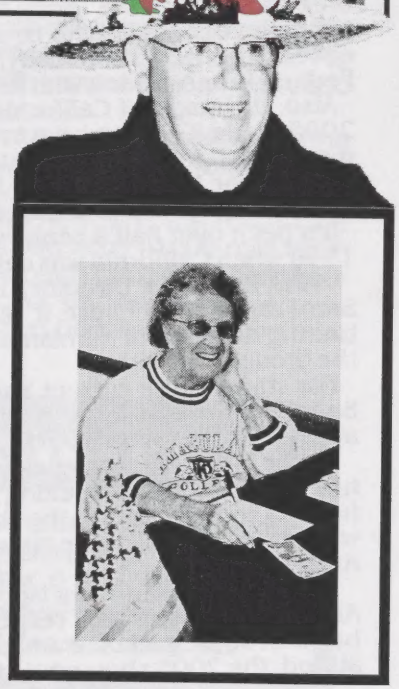
He switched to collecting world coins and in 1970 while still in High School he started to sell world coins by mail on a part-time basis. Joel was graduated from the University of Santa Clara, then received an MBA from Dartmouth College.

Deciding it was more fun to sell coins than to do real work in Silicon Valley as a controller, he converted his part-time coin business in 1989 into a full-time business, mainly from his website and by catalogs, with his wife, Lila. He is a past president of the CSNA and received its Medal of Merit.

Fashionable Auctioneer raises lots of fun and $245



SDNS December 2004 meeting



What's coming up?

116th CSNA Convention and San Jose Coin Club's 37th annual Coin, Stamp, and Collectibles Show, January 7-9 at Parkside Hall, San Jose.

CSNA Educational Symposium, March 12 at Wyndham Hotel in Fullerton.

National Money Show, April 8-10, 2005, in Kansas City, Missouri, at Hyatt Regency Crown Center Hall.

ANA's World's Fair of Money, July 27-31, 2005, at Moscone West Convention Center in San Francisco.

ANA World's Fair of Money in July moved to San Francisco

ANA has avoided the "roar of the maddening crowd" when it switched host city to San Francisco for its 2005 World's Fair of Money in July 27-31.

San Jose was first choice, but on Dec. 7 its City Council voted to host a Downtown Grand Prix auto race which could draw up to 300,000. In the vote, it was money that the council has in mind -- but not the kind at the ANA Show. The city's coffers stand to gain millions of dollars in its multi-year Grand Prix contract.

When confronted with downtown San Jose being blocked off for the race, ANA withdrew show plans and settled on San Francisco s the host city in a very short timeframe.

ANA's summer coin show's five days of activities for 20,000 collectors would have been up-ended for hotel rooms by the racing crowd.

Coin World in its Jan 5 edition applauded the ANA in its decision to move its show "away from the roar of racing autos and the maddening multitudes they attract."

The move turned out to be a better deal because of historic sites that draw collectors: The Granite Lady, the Old and New San Francisco Mints, and the Federal Reserve Bank with its great Gold Rush Era displays.

Also, the magic of California being the first quarter dollar to be released in 2005 made it easy to select another of the state's city to host the show. The move north from San Jose to San Francisco is less than 50 miles. It was a win-win for the ANA when it happily discovered that the Moscone Convention center was available for the last full week in July.

It's been over half a century since ANA has been in San Francisco – last in 1949 when California was celebrating its centennial of statehood.

ANA Executive Director Chris Cipoletti is enthusiastic about the move to San Francisco because it places the ANA's big show within walking and touring distance of numismatic sites that make the heart thump fast at just the thought of visiting.

For starters, the current San Francisco Mint, the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and its fabulous U.S. currency exhibit and many other attractions that stem from the Gold Rush era.

The San Francisco Museum and Historical Society and prominent coin hobby leaders are seeking a commemorative coin program to obtain funding to help restore the Granite Lady, making it into a city museum that will devote considerable space to numismatic exhibits focusing on the Gold Rush Era.

The move to San Francisco will, no doubt, be an added challenge to the ANA headquarters staff responsible for convention planning and activities, but with some patience and understanding on the part of those planning to attend, the 2005 show could turn out to be one of the best.

YesterYears & Names in Review
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50 Years Ago – The addresses of the Society's 130 members were listed in alphabetical order, and then also were broken down by city, state, and country. (One in England for Spink and Son, Ltd.) Dues were $2 and the club met at YMCA 8th and C downtown on 1st Mondays. Speaker Narcisco Morales said Japanese gold coins are rare because of their inflated $60 oz price. Displays were by Francis Jones – wooden nickels, Frenchy Vigneault – Morgan dollars, and Gene Johnston – Boulder Dam Tokens. Frenchy said he bought a 3-legged Buffalo for $2 and then dropped it in the Coronado Ferry turnstile – by mistake. Rohr Aircraft Corp. paid its 5,100 employees with 345,000 silver dollars to show how much "Hard Money" was. Weight? 12 tons.

40 Years Ago – New officers installed were President J. R. Givens, VP Aage Andersen, Secretary Lester Peich, and Treasurer George Paes. Al Baber was past president. Exhibitors were Paul Hamm, Lew Panosh, Roger Sullivan, Patsy Rose, Harvey Rose, Dorothy Baber, Al Baber, Aage Andersen, and Tom Rose. Judges were Jim Andersen, Tom Collandria, and Doug Decker. Home-made Christmas gifts made by Bobbie McDonald, Jean Garside, Mattie Knickerbocker, Betty Hamm, and Dorothy Baber raised $22 for CSNA meeting here in November. The $4.50 ticket for Installation dinner included New York steak or lobster tail, plus a chance at 1954 proof set.

30 Years Ago – New officers installed were President James Hunt, VP Roger Sullivan, Secretary Betty Hamm, and Treasurer Ed Raymond. Board members were Anna Merle Panosh, Ed Memel, Paul Boltz, Dorothy Baber, L. T. Gottschall, and Kay Edgerton. Dinner at Admiral Kidd's was $6.50 for Beef au jus or veal cordon bleu. Exhibitors were Ed Raymond, Kay Edgerton, and Phil Centman. Stu and Kay Edgerton attended 100th year of Old San Francisco Mint. Al & Dorothy Baber sent regrets to Mary Brooks.

20 Years Ago – Al Baber spoke on U.S. quarters at the Jan. 7 meeting and the installation was held Jan 19 at the Springfield Wagon Works. Tickets cost $10 for prime rib, petite NY steak, or halibut almondine. Ida Ruth Baker sent Christmas card to the Babers from Stillwater, Minn., saying she missed the club and California. Al and Dorothy Baber returned from 10,000-mile trip in plane piloted by Lee and Joyce Kuntz. The Lundbergs also sent a card from Louisiana. Raffle prizes were won by Paulina Hoover, Kay Lenker, John Hoover, Ted Gottschall, Howard Kingston, Jim Heine, Lloyd Lindemer, John Stadnyk, John Lenker, and Dick Glasgow.

Raffle for January

1. 2004 Westward Journey 5¢ Set
2. 1941 Mercury 10¢
3. 1973 Silver Ike Dollar
4. 2002 Turkey 1,000,000 Lira
5. 1976 Silver Set
6. Seated Liberty Silver Round
7. 1908 Barber 10¢
8. 2004 P & D Boat 5¢ Rolls
9. 1974 Silver Ike Dollar
10. 2000 Proof Quarter Set

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In Other WORDS! PAY Your Dues!

Phil Iversen to speak on Lewis & Clark at Society's 68th Installation Banquet

Dinner on the Boulevard will kick off New Year 2005 for the San Diego Numismatic Society with an officer installation and past CSNA President Phil Iversen speaking on "Lewis and Clark . . . Sighting the Pacific."

The society will meet at 6 p.m. Jan. 4th at Coco's banquet room, 2644 El Cajon Boulevard – a block north of our North Park meeting site -- with dinner scheduled at 6:30 p.m., according to President-elect Ken Spindler.

This year our members and guests will order from the menu and receive individual checks – a crowd-pleasing feature arranged by Roy Peich.

Iversen, a well-known national speaker and collector, lives in Sherman Oaks and is a member of SDNS. His 30-minute presentation will include slides to illustrate the 1803-06 Northwest Passage Expedition of discovering a route from St. Louis and finally viewing the Pacific Ocean.

Officers to be installed for 2005 include President Ken Spindler, Vice President Dave Jones, Secretary Kay Lenker, and Treasurer Jim Hunt.

Board members are Dorothy Baber, Ellen Hunt, Terry Cruggs, Dave Jones, Everett Jones, Ginny Bourke, and Les Peich.

The big prize of the evening will be a gold-coin drawing for a member who contributed to the 2004 meetings, whether as a speaker, host, exhibitor, contributor, or maybe even as editor!

Chuck Luce will also conduct his monthly raffle of 10 numismatic objects, plus members will also receive door prizes for attendance.

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It's Official! California Quarter Out!

Jim Hunt Invited to Sacramento's Jan. 31 Ceremony

The Big Coin Day finally came to Sacramento as the California Quarter was rolled out as the 31st coin of the 50-State Quarter Program of the U.S. Mint.

The two days of events – including a Collector's Forum on Jan 30 and the California Quarter Launch on Jan. 31 – were held at the California State History Museum.

Top U.S. Mint officials, along with Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, were on hand for the events.

The director of the U.S. Mint, Henrietta Holsman Fore, was the center of attention for the Collector's Forum, where she addressed the forum and took questions on past, present, and future mint products, coin designs, and other numismatic issues.

Jim Hunt was in Sacramento for the historic occasion at the invitation of Gov. Schwarzenegger and First Lady Maria Shriver. Jim was a member of the California State Quarter design selection committee that submitted finalists for the governor's selection.

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50 STATE QUARTERS UNITED STATES MINT

31st State Quarter is 1st of 2005

It's 50 for NASC

The NASC's 50th Anniversary Awards Luncheon will be Feb. 13 at 1 at Frank & Dean's in Pasadena.

The emcee is Cliff Mishler. A special Anniversary marble paperweight will be provided, plus a medal has been created by sculptor Alex Shagin.

King Christian?

Come see Jim Wells' power point and learn: "What country did King Christian rule? Why do so many of his descendants appear on coins?" at Feb 1st meeting.

MAR. Merc Dime, Cyrs. Franklin Half.

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A dinner meeting was held at Coco's Restaurant on El Cajon Blvd. this date to install new officers. Attendance was 25.

The officers – President Ken Spindler, VP Dave Jones, Treasurer Jim Hunt, and Secretary Kay Lenker – were installed by Phil Iversen, a SDNS member and past president of CSNA.

Phil gave a slide presentation of "Lewis and Clark Sighting the Pacific," which was well received.

Participation prize for 2004 was won by Bob Fritsch for an exhibit in June.

Door prizes were won by Ginny Bourke, Jean Luce, Jack Hook, Roy Peich, Pat Hook, Wayne Dickey, Lance Dohe, Dave Jones, Dorothy Baber, Mike Shaw, Everett Jones, and Rex Salmon. Non-winners received Franklin halves.

Raffle prizes were taken home by Jean Dickey, Wayne Dickey, Rex Salmon, Jean Luce, Ginny Bourke, Terry Higgins, Mike Shaw, Phil Iversen, and Jim Hunt.

Respectfully submitted, *Kay Edgerton Lenker*

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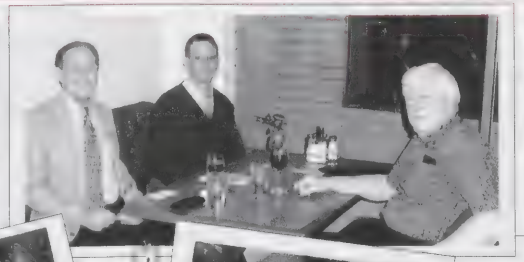

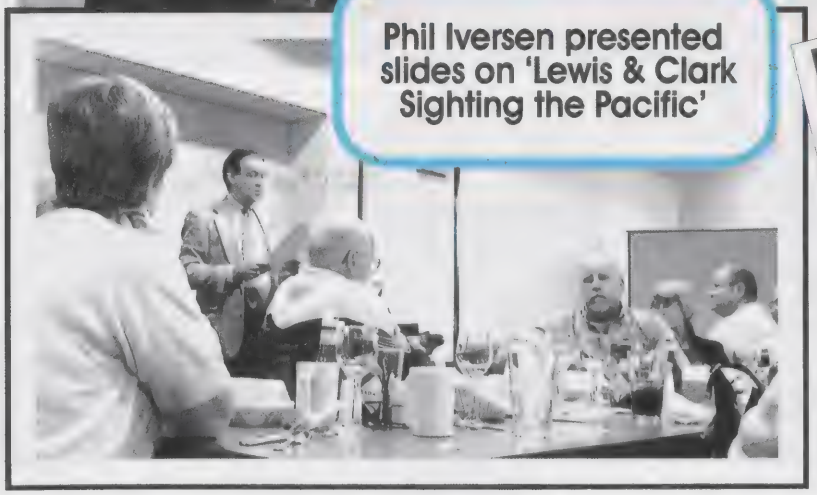

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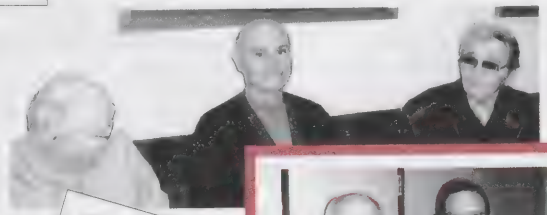

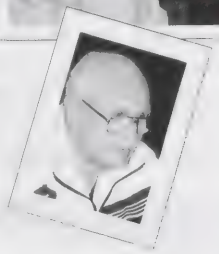

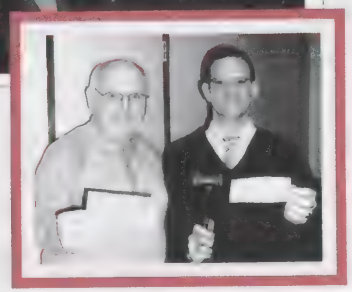

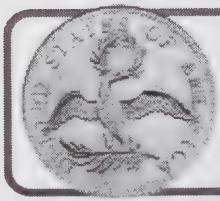

Our President's Inaugural Address

Spindler's SPIN

Ken Spindler, North Park, USA

Sharing Love of Coins Paramount to Club's Success

Rex prompted me to offer an inaugural message. A humorist wrote that in the *other* inaugural address, given just a few days ago in my hometown, Washington, D.C., Mr. Bush really wanted to say only 3 words: *"Who's your daddy?"*

That's the opposite of what I feel, here. SDNS is a highly cooperative, volunteer effort. I can't think of a single active member who isn't entitled to share credit for our club's success.

Aside from enjoying the witty social repartee, the most reinforcing SDNS attendance benefit for me is the sense of pleasure I feel after a meeting in which I've acquired useful numismatic information or knowledge of history, or I've been genuinely entertained by an unexpected spin-off of our hobby. The source may have been a guest lecturer, a member who brought in neat material and/or a story to share, or simply something I was told or overheard in casual conversation. *I'm really glad I came tonight!*

Non-numismatists ask me, "Isn't the hobby dying out?" We club members are painfully aware of our "aging infrastructure." Yet, the market for numismatic material is actually enjoying quite a surge right now. There definitely are many serious collectors out there, somewhere. Unfortunately, their incursions into the numismatic community seem to be limited to a home computer or perusal of trade periodicals and catalogs. We at SDNS know what they are missing by remaining so isolated.

To spread word of the San Diego area's coin clubs, a Heartland member, Greg Schenewerk, prepared large, colorful, framed posters for coin shop walls, advertising the affiliated local coin clubs and offering decorative fliers listing club meeting information. This project may also be expanded into neighborhood community centers.

We hope these posters lead to increased club attendance, especially bringing in younger collectors.

Greg gave me another marketing idea that perhaps hasn't been attempted or pursued vigorously enough. He suggested placing recurring ads or notices of club meetings in the various community newspapers and newsletters that are distributed in rec centers, libraries, and the like. Pick up a copy of each of these publications when you see them, then go home and phone the publisher to find out whether we can do this. Work with your club officers to develop the ad "copy," submit it, and monitor its publication. It appears that for our clubs to survive we will have to do everything we possibly can to get the word out! Only warm and fuzzy feelings are garnered by preaching to the choir, like I just did, above.

We need new blood in the clubs, if only to replace us as officers when our terms expire! And remember, *"Who's your daddy?"*

Oh, yuck, that's awful, sorry, just kidding about that last part.

YesterYears & Names in Review
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50 Years Ago – The Installation Banquet had 120 in attendance, including many from the Los Angeles, Santa Monica area. The Bulletin didn't say where they ate nor the slate of society officers, but gave the installing officer as Doc Ray Wilson. Past president Frenchy Vigneault, who gave a fine speech about many helpful members who made his tenure a success, was presented a plaque by Atwood MacDonald with '53 and '54 half dollars that noted the years he served. There were 20 exhibits, with Lew Panosh receiving a special award; Francis Jones, 1st; Bruce Wallace, 2nd; Tom Ward, 3rd; and Frank Hernandez, 4th. With 120 there, along with 20 exhibits, they must have met in a very large room – maybe at the YMCA where regular meetings were held.

40 Years Ago – The 28th Annual Installation Dinner, with 90 in attendance at the Bronze Room in La Mesa, honored two with Life Memberships: Dr. Bruce Wallace SDNS #1 (the society's founder) and Tom Ward SDNS #102 (founding editor who served 10 years). Retiring President Al Baber presented the awards. Dinner chairman was Harvey Rose and the emcee was Dan Harley, secretary of CSNA. New officers were President Joe Givens, VP Aage Andersen, Secretary Les Peich, and Treasurer George Paes. The executive board was Fred Lawrence, Ted Gottschall, Paul Hamm, Lew Panosh, and Joe Garside. Four members who made exhibits each month of the year were honored: Roger Sullivan, 1st; Al Baber, 2nd; Lew Panosh, 3rd; and Paul Hamm, 4th place, according to a point system. Exhibit winners at the dinner were Tom Rose, Harvey Rose, and Gene Cooper. George Paes won the top door prize: 1954 proof set. The 8th Coinarama was set for June 4-6, commemorating the 50th year of the California-Panama Exposition in Balboa Park in 1915.

30 Years Ago – The 38th Annual Installation Dinner, with 45 in attendance at the Admiral Kidd Club, was chaired by Catherine Edgerton. The 1975 officers – President Jim Hunt, VP Roger Sullivan, Secretary Betty Hamm, and Treasurer Ed Raymond – were installed by Stuart Edgerton. Board members were Paul Boltz, Larry Combs, Ed Memel, Anna Panosh, Ted Gottschall, Kay Edgerton, and Dorothy Baber. Emcee Dwight Safford introduced guest speaker Elizabeth Wisslead. Exhibitors were Roger Sullivan 1st, Kay Edgerton 2nd, Phil Centman 3rd, Bill Wright, Al Baber, Dorothy Baber, Aage Andersen, and Jim Hunt.

20 Years Ago – The 48th Annual Installation Dinner, with 44 in attendance, was at the Springfield Wagon Works in Kearny Mesa. Officers installed were President Howard Smith, VP John Lenker, Treasurer Larry Baber, and Secretary Kay Lenker. Board members were Ted Gottschall, Roger Sullivan, John Stadnyk, and Jim Parker. Bus fare is $3 for the CSNA Symposium in Fullerton on March 16.

Raffle for February

1. 1976 3 Pc. Silver Set
2. 1959 Ben Franklin 50¢
3. Statue of Liberty Silver Round
4. 2002 Turkey 1,000,000 Lira
5. 1921 Morgan Dollar
6. 1968 Mexico 25 Peso
7. 1955 D 25¢
8. 1938 D Buffalo 5¢
9. 2003 & 2004 P & D 50¢
10. 2001 Proof Quarter Set

California Quarter Released Jan. 31

Jim Hunt invited to Sacramento Ceremony

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California has the honor of being the first quarter released in 2005 and is the 31st in the United States Mint's 50 State Quarters® Program.

California – nicknamed the "Golden State" – was admitted into the Union on September 9, 1850.

The quarter depicts Scottish naturalist and conservationist John Muir admiring Yosemite Valley's monolithic granite Half Dome, plus there's a California condor soaring with its 9-foot wingspan.

The coin bears the inscriptions "California," "John Muir," "Yosemite Valley" and "1850."

In 1849, the year before California gained statehood, the family of 11-year-old John Muir emigrated from Scotland to the United States, settling in Wisconsin.

In 1868, at the age of 30, Muir sailed up the West Coast and landed in San Francisco. He made his home in the Yosemite Valley, describing the Sierra Nevada Mountains as "the Range of Light… the most divinely beautiful of all the mountain chains I have seen." He devoted the rest of his life to the conservation of natural beauty, publishing more than 300 articles and 10 books that expanded his naturalist philosophy.

In 1890, Congress established Yosemite National Park, and in 1892 John Muir helped form the Sierra Club to protect it, serving as that organization's President until his death in 1914.

Jim was appointed to the 20-member California State Quarter Commission that was formed to solicit design concepts from California citizens and to review all submissions.

The Commission forwarded 20 design concepts to then Gov. Gray Davis's office for further consideration. From these, five were chosen as finalists and sent for final review to the United States Mint.

Gov. Schwarzenegger chose the final selection from this group of five. The four other design concepts considered included "Waves and Sun," "Gold Miner," "Golden Gate Bridge," and the "Giant Sequoia" design.

The Department of Treasury approved the "John Muir/Yosemite Valley" design on April 15, 2004.

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1792 Copper Cent auctioned for $437,000

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CSNA SYMPOSIUM

Numismatic Safari!

4 Great Speakers
March 12 in Fullerton

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See you at 37th Program!

Mini-Workshop at March Meeting

Dr. Ken Berger to Reveal Fakes

After Members Write Opinions

Knowledge put to test in real-life scenario!

Members to examine coins & bills for fakes!

FAKE ???????????? or **REAL** ???????

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San Diego Numismatic Society

Minutes of 1 February 2005 Meeting

The 799th meeting of the Society was held this date in the Adult Rooms of the North Park Recreation Center. Attendance was 24 with one guest, Babbie Wells, wife of Jim Wells.

Treasurer's report was read and accepted. Ginny Bourke gave up-to-date news on CSNA, ANA, and COINARAMA.

Old Business: None

New Business: March Coin of Month will be the Mercury 10 cents, and for April, it'll be the Franklin half.

Show and Tell: Jim Hunt had material from the launch of the California Quarter. Rex Salmon showed some old Iraqi money. Roger Sullivan shared Order of the Rising Sun and much material on love tokens. He had material from Bill Fell on some items passed as coins. Jack Hook told of his experience at the California Quarter launching. Everett Jones had a proof 2005 quarter. Ken Spindler showed coins of Christian IX. Everett Jones brought fortune cookies for the Chinese New Year of the Rooster. Mike Shaw had a medal of John Grey, who was a Punjab Keeper of Zoological Department of the British Museum.

Program: Jim Wells made a power-point presentation on Coins of Christian IX and his family, which included many royal houses of Europe. He was called the "Grandfather of Europe" because in those days royal houses intermarried and it was common to strengthen ties by having a son or daughter marry into another royal house. Marriages were to strengthen the kingdoms.

Refreshments & Raffle: Mike Stanley was the host in absentia, so Kay Lenker baked a Jewish Apple Cake in his name. Raffle prizes were won by Rex Salmon (3), Terry Cruggs, Joyce Darnell, Chuck Luce, Roger Sullivan (2), Dorothy Baber, and Ginny Bourke.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Edgerton Lenker

Raffle for March

Coin of Month: Mercury Dime

1. 1794 Gallery Mint Copy 50¢
2. 2005 P & D Kennedy 50¢
3. 1921 Morgan Dollar
4. 1956 D Quarter
5. 1922 Peace Dollar
6. 1976 Macau 20 Patacas
7. 1 ounce Silver Round
8. 2005 Proof Quarter Set
9. 2004 P & D Rolls 5¢ Keelboat
10. Westward Journey Nickel Series 2004 coin and medal set (1 of 25,000)

What's coming up?

California State Numismatic Association Board Meeting, March 12, at 8:30 a.m. at Wyndham Hotel in Fullerton.

CSNA Educational Symposium, March 12, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Wyndham Hotel in Fullerton. Jim Hunt is education director.

ANA's National Money Show, April 8-10, in Kansas City, Missouri, at Hyatt Regency Crown Center Hall.

National Coin Week, April 17-23. Theme: "Explore the World Through Money."

San Diego County Fair, June 10 – July 4. Exhibit theme: "California Numismatic History." Fair theme: "Cinema Summer." Supt. Lee Darnell.

ANA's Summer World's Fair of Money, July 27-31, at Moscone West Convention Center in San Francisco. ANA's new website: www.money.org

Golden State Coin Show at Arcadia is coming up in August.

Get Ready for CSNA Symposium March 12

The 37th Annual CSNA Numismatic Educational Symposium on March 12 in Fullerton.

CSNA Education Director Jim Hunt said the symposium will be at the Wyndham Hotel, 222 W. Houston Ave. from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The hotel has a special CSNA rates: $69 single, $79 double, (714) 992-1700. The luncheon costs $17 with two choices. Jim said the symposium is free and provides a great opportunity to expand numismatic knowledge. Speakers and presentatios:

Jeff Shevlin on "So-Called Dollars" -- Jeff, who is writing a book on So-Called Dollars, earlier this year founded the national So-Called Dollars Collectors Club. Jeff has been an avid collector and researcher of So-Called Dollars for 15 years.

Joe Flores on "Viva La Revolucion" — Joe owns the largest and most complete collection of Mexican Revolution coins in the world. About 300 of his rarest coins were at the ANA Money Museum in Colorado Springs during 2003 and 2004.

Michael Lantz on "My Experiences at the Denver Mint" — Michael retired as Coin Press and Coin Production General Foreman, Coining Division of the United States Mint at Denver after 34 years of service. His working experience included machine operator, press operator, and die setter prior to being a supervisor.

Joel Anderson on "John Law and the Mississippi Bubble" — Joel started collecting U.S. coins in the third grade, but switched to collecting world coins. In 1970 while still in high school, he started to sell world coins by mail on a part-time basis. Joel was graduated from the University of Santa Clara, then received an MBA from Dartmouth College. He is a past president of the CSNA and received its Medal of Merit.

COIN TALK

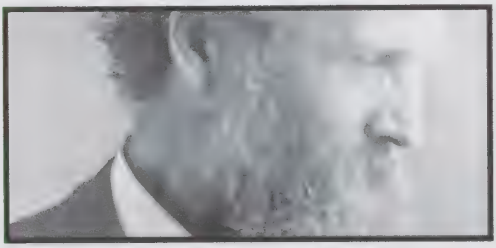
Host Jim Hunt

www.wsradio.com/cointalk/

No Live Shows for March

There's 45 educational programs in the archives now!

The MAN:



John Muir

The legendary John Muir was 11 when his family left Scotland in 1849. They settled in Wisconsin, but when he came to the Sierras of California, his name became world famous because of his efforts to save Yosemite as a National Park.

Today, even the Muir family's 14-room castle in Martinez – near San Francisco – is a National Park. His life-time efforts to preserve wilderness areas and the founding of the Sierra Club has earned him the title of "Father of the National Park System." He called the mountains "love monuments."

Muir – a farmer – didn't get excited about the California Gold. Instead, he treasured the state's wealth of natural wonders, especially Yosemite and the High Sierras. Today hikers on the John Muir Trail treasure the same wonders – thanks to him.

He died in 1914 at age of 76. California celebrates his April 21 birthday as the John Muir Day.

'Oh, these vast, calm measureless mountain days, inciting at once to work and rest! Days in whose light every thing seems equally divine, open a thousand windows to show us God.'
– John Muir

Californi
to John

Talk about Hand Cramps!

Ken Berger gets last card!

a Quarter Pays Its Respect Muir, Yosemite, & Condor

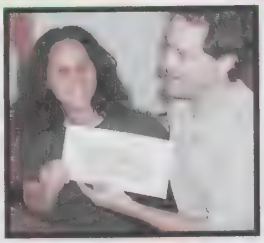
California Cards sold out fast in event at Old Town n Feb. 20.

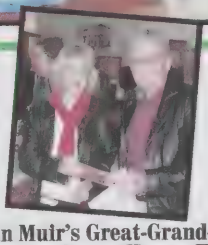
2,000 Quarter Cards Allotted to San Diego

3 Generations of Muir Family Live in San Diego County

Concept Designer Garrett Burke and wife Michelle signed all 2,000 Wells Fargo California cards allotted to San Diego. Their daughter Katie has Yosemite T-shirt on. The Muir descendants are (1) Susan Hanna Flynn, great-granddaughter of Muir; Susan's daughter (2) Maureen Lewis, great-great-granddaughter; and Maureen's daughter, (3) Lindsey Sheridan Lewis, 8, great-great-great-granddaughter of John Muir. Jim Hunt of SDNS served on the state quarter committee.

A copy of an 1896 check that John Muir wrote to his wife Louise was presented to Garrett and Michelle Burke by the Muir Family because Michelle is an integral part of Garret's success in graphics, Maureen S. Lewis said.





John Muir's Great-Grand-daughter Susan Hanna Flynn signs card for Earl Vikander.

"Fake or Real" Program planned by Ken Berger

Our program for March will require that members get involved in the presentation, according to our speaker Dr. Ken Berger.

"My talk in March on 'Fake or Real' will be different from other talks which have been presented at the SDNS because it will involve active membership participation," Berger said. "It will be more like a mini-workshop rather than a talk."

The structure of the meeting will also be changed so members have a chance to judge the items before Berger presents "the rest of the story."

Berger said a group of coins/paper money will be on display - some real & some fake.

"Paper will be available for each member to write down his/her opinion as to whether the particular coin/paper money is real or fake.

"During the break, the members will have the opportunity to examine the items *(they might want to have a loupe or magnifying glass available. I'll supply one)* and to write down their opinion of each particular item."

Berger said "Obviously (and unfortunately), since I only collect things worth exactly one dollar, the items on display for examination will be limited "one dollar" type coins/paper money."

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, March 1, at 6:30 p.m.

Ken Berger will present a mini-workshop on "Real or Fake."
Refreshments will be provided by Dave Jones.

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Month	Program	Host
April:	Jim Hunt on "State Quarter Committee"	Ellen Hunt
May:	Open	Open

Please call VP Dave Jones if you would share knowledge of your numismatic interest in a program.

Yester Years & Names in Review
1955--1965--1975--1985

50 Years Ago – Col. Joseph Moss, former ANA president, died following a lengthy illness. Club exhibitors were Olav Berghli, Al Conyne, Frank Hernandez, Paul Johnson, Francis Jones, Frenchy Vigneault, and Tom Ward. Conyne's gold display had $3 and $5 commemorative from all mints – including Dahlonega – $2.50 complete, $5 of the earliest issues, and all types of $20 pieces, plus a 1906 proof set. Lunch was served by Florence Wilson and by Lew and Anna Panosh. Anna said it was a husband-wife project: 5% husband and 95% wife. Treasurer Paul Hamm gave the financial report, saying the club owned lots of proof set, but he didn't know where they were. The CSNA convention will be in Berkeley April 28 to May 1.

40 Years Ago – Photo on cover showed past President Al Baber presenting Life Memberships to Dr. Bruce Wallace, founder of club, and to Tom Ward, founding editor of Bulletin *(1st issue was 18 years ago this very month.)*. Exhibitors were Roger Sullivan, 1st with Love Tokens; Paul Hamm, 2nd with Flags on Medals; Harvey Rose, 3rd with Panama Commemorative; plus C. S. Yowell, Al Baber, Patsy Rose, Tom Rose, and SDNS exhibit by Joe Garside showing paper money. Judges were Rex Salmon, Oliver Merrell, and Peal Johnson. ANA Rep Lew Panosh said the ANA building fund has reached $100,000 toward the $250,000 goal. Cities seeking the headquarters include Kansas City, Oklahoma City, Wichita, and Colorado Springs.

30 Years Ago – New President Jim Hunt couldn't make it to his first meeting, so VP Roger Sullivan filled in. Winning exhibitors were Roger Sullivan, 1st with Gold Shooting Medals; Ed Raymond, 2nd with Cents & Pennies of World; Phil Centman, 3rd with Famous People on PNC's. Others were Kay Edgerton, Reagan Ratliff, Bill Wright, and Dorothy Baber, who didn't compete with UN Peace Medals. Club backed Paul Whitnah as nominee for ANA Board of Governors. Members were asked to wear their name badges, or be fined 10 cents. The 7th Annual CSNA Symposium was set for March 8 at SD Convention Center.

20 Years Ago – The 7th Mid-Year ANA Convention in San Antonio drew several SDNS members: Kay and John Lenker, Pappy and Betty Young, Harvey and Patsy Rose, Al and Dorothy Baber, Paul Whitnah, Dick Yeoman, and Adna Wilde. About 2,000 attended. The Paseo de Rio was a popular thing to do. Bus trip planned for the 16th CSNA Symposium in Fullerton. Speakers are Beth Deisher, Ken Aring, Don T. Thrall, and Gene Hessler, Kay Lenker is running for ANA Board of Governors. Door prizes won by Larry Baber, Ted Gottschall, John Lenker, Cliff Ross, Walter Kotfila, John Hoover, and Dorothy Baber. First-class postage to send Bulletin was 22 cents.

Rare Coin 'Walks' into ANA World

Rare coins seem to appear at ANA World Fair of Money "from out of the woodwork" or else they "walk in off the streets."

The latest coin causing a buzz in the Numismatic World is the 1792 copper cent that a New York family brought to the registration desk at Pittsburgh last August. The rare specimen arrived in a tobacco tin where it had resided for at least the last 30 years in an unlocked safe, with the owners unaware of its history or value.

The fusible coin (silver plug in center to make value of coin worth 1 cent) was sold Feb. 21 at auction for $437,000, being one of only nine such experimental coins produced before the U.S. Mint was chartered by Congress. The chocolate brown, quarter-size coin went from its little world in a tobacco tin can to a world of fame and wealth – a rags-to-riches story numismatically loved. The owners' father found the coin in the tin along with other coins belonging to his father who was a coin collector around the time of the Civil War.

Reverse of 1792

"The historical importance of this coin cannot be overstated," said Michael Sherman, vice president of Professional Coin Grading Service, which directed a team of experts who authenticated the coin.

The highest bidder was Anthony "Tony" Terranova of New York City, according to Donn Pearlman, spokesman for the Beverly Hills auction house of Ira & Larry Goldberg Coins & Collectibles, Inc. Terranova was at the ANA show and one of two who verified its authenticity.

"The cent's owners are descendants of Oliver Wolcott, the governor of Connecticut in the 1790s and a signer of the Declaration of Independence," according to auctioneer Ira Goldberg. The obverse has a Miss Liberty with motto "Parent of Science & Indust: Liberty" and the date of 1792. The "ry" in Industry was dropped. The reverse has "The United States of America" encircling a wreath with "One Cent" inside.

The four people who brought the coin in included two women. Dorothy Baber, who was on the ANA desk at the time, said one woman remarked to the other when learning the coin had value, "Maybe we'll be able to each get a new car."

Token Collector & Numismatist Alan V. Weinberg has to eat crow now. He called it ballyhoo that the 1792 coin was worth at least $400,000 when it appeared at the ANA show. He put a value of around $32,000 on it.

Weinberg said the coin was shown to Bob Rhue and Tony Terranova at the show. "Both believed it to be genuine because `it had the telltale diagonally reeded rim, an esoteric fact not widely known to forgers," Weinberg said. "Tony has handled his share of related 1792 silver center cents."

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Coins, Medals, or Fakes?

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U.S. Mint acts to protect unwary!

COINARAMA

48th Annual Show in June

General Chairman Ginny Bourke has been living and breathing COINARAMA to get it all perfect for the 48th annual show June 25 and 26.

Details Coming in June Bulletin!

Designer Andrew Woodruff's 'Marston' medal won

Marine "Pappy" honored on Iwo Jima Medal

Marine MSgt. Howard "Pappy" Young, 97, a survivor of the Iwo Jima campaign of WWII, will be honored on the 60th anniversary of the battle with "Pappy" on a medal. A long-time member of SDNS, he lives in Oceanside.

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San Diego Numismatic Society

Minutes of 5 April 2005 Meeting

The 801st meeting of the Society was held in the Adult Rooms of the North Park Recreation Center with an attendance of 23. Minutes as reported in the Bulletin were accepted.

Treasurer's report was made by Jim Hunt and accepted. He has received the gold books for the NASC drawing in August. That was the correspondence.

Ginny Bourke reported on CSNA Symposium, ANA to be held in Kansas City in mid-month, and COINARAMA. Designer of the California Quarter will be on hand Saturday, May 14, and we will have special holders for the quarters for him to autograph. Garrett Burke will be in San Diego for the weekend with his wife and daughter to attend the County Fair on Friday and Sea World on Sunday.

New Business – COINARAMA program ad. Jack Hook asked that SDNS take an ad as usual. Approved. He also had a schedule for members to sign up for manning the information booth at the fair.

Program – Jim Hunt, member of the California State Quarter Design Committee, described his appointment and the process that followed up to the events in Sacramento when the quarter was launched. He also had some of the designs that were submitted and not selected in the final round.

Show and Tell – Roger Sullivan had a letter from the first COINARAMA, a medal of San Diego Stadium 1915, the old San Diego High School stadium. Chuck Luce brought a medal for Perry with Mt. Fuji and a pagoda. Ken Berger had Sede Vacante coins from 20th century. He also had letters to the editor of Numismatic News that he had written. Mike Shaw had a Indian Police Medal awarded for gallantry, a bronze awarded by the Viceroy. Ken Spindler had coins from Iraq and Iran, chopped coins from China and Japan. Rex Salmon shared 5 old coins from Iraq.

Drawings and Refreshment – Name drawn from the goodie jar was Joyce Darnell, who was absent. Eight 50-cent pieces went home with Ginny Bourke. Refreshments were a cake served by Ellen announcing the arrival of the Hunts' first granddaughter. Raffle prizes were won by Dave Jones (2), Mike Shaw, Rex Salmon (3), Les Peich, Chuck Luce (2), Jean Luce, Ellen Hunt, and Ken Spindler.

Kay Edgerton Lenker
Secretary

Raffle for May

Coin of Month: Lincoln 'S' cent of the '30s

1. 2005 Proof Quarter Set
2. 2005 P & D Rolls of Bison 5¢
3. 2002 & 2003 P & D Kennedy 50¢
4. Drew Bledsoe NFL Silver Round
5. Egypt 1916 50 Piaster
6. 2005 P & D Rolls Bison 5¢
7. 2004 & 2005 P & D Kennedy 50¢
8. Mexico 1968 25 Peso
9. Macau 1999 500 Escudos
10. 2000 11 Pc. Proof Set

What's coming up?

May 1 – **Heartland Coin Show** at El Cajon Valley Masonic Lodge. Lee Darnell (760) 789-7181 or e-mail jyjoylee@pacbell.net

June 7 – **SDNS Birthday and Picnic in the Park** 6 p.m. with Chili by Ken Spindler, followed by *Other Hobby Nite* inside.

June 10 thru July 4 – **San Diego County Fair.** Exhibit theme: "California Numismatic History." Fair theme: "Cinema Summer." Contact Supt. Lee Darnell at jyjoylee@pacbell.net

June 25 & 26 – **Coinarama** at Scottish Rite in Mission Valley. Contact Virginia Bourke at vlbourke@cox.net

July 27-31 – **ANA's Summer World's Fair of Money** at Moscone West Convention Center in San Francisco. ANA's new website: www.money.org

August 27 & 28 – **Golden State Coin Show** in Arcadia at Masonic Lodge. NASC and CSNS meetings also. Contact Gary Beedon at beedon@earthlink.net.

Life Depends upon your Attitude!

1. Give a person a fish and you feed them for a day; teach that person to use the Internet and they won't bother you for weeks.
2. Some people are like Slinkies . . . not really good for anything, but you still can't help but smile when you see one slinking through life.
3. I read recipes the same way I read science fiction. I get to the end and I think, "Well, that's not going to happen."
4. Health nuts are going to feel stupid someday, lying in hospitals dying of nothing.
5. The other night I ate at a real family restaurant. Every table had an argument going.
6. Have you noticed since everyone has a camcorder these days no one talks about seeing UFOs like they used to.
7. Men say the first thing they notice about a woman is their eyes, and women say the first thing they notice about men is they're a bunch of liars.
8. Whenever I feel blue, I start breathing again.
9. Have you noticed that a slight tax increase costs you $200 and a substantial tax cut saves you 30 cents?
10. In the 60's people took acid to make the world weird. Now the world is weird and people take Prozac to make it normal.
11. Politics is supposed to be the second oldest profession. It bears a very close resemblance to the first.
12. How is it one careless match can start a forest fire, but it takes a whole box to start a campfire?
13. Most terrorists came here legally, but have expired visas, some for as long as 10-15 years. Let's put Blockbuster in charge of immigration. Two days late and they're all over you!

Coinfusion in the marketplace!

When is a coin not a coin?

"When a new collector gets burned, he or she often stops collecting," Mint Director Henrietta Holsman Fore said.

U.S. Mint Coins Rules on 'Comemoratives'

Hucksters on TV Still Making a 'Mint'

You've seen these beautiful gold-looking coins on a TV infomercials and from the choice of words they employ, you'd swear the "coin" was from the U.S. Mint.

Many of these ad hucksters – who somehow always have MINT in their names – are skating on thin ice just about half a lace above the law. They're one step above the Medicine Man Sideshow of the Ol' West!

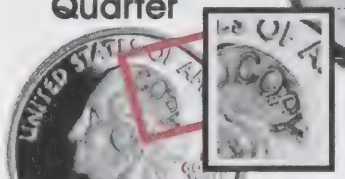
Even as a numismatist, you have to listen and watch carefully with all the hype and the way they sling around the words "U.S. Government" and "Official" and "U.S. Mint" and "One of a kind." The poor guy in the street hasn't a chance. When they get done talking, he doesn't know what they said, but the words "U.S. Government" and the others remain on the mind. Then he mails or Emails in the bucks and finds out he has a trinket – not an official coin.

The U.S. Mint figures these hucksters rake in millions of dollars annually, so the Mint has set about to make TV 'coin ads' toe the line, fining TV hucksters the most because the great number of prospective buyers who see the ads.

The U.S. has never colorized a coin, but to hear it in the ads, it's an official U.S. coin. Yes, it's a Kennedy Half, but loaded with half-truths like many ads. This ad drew Mint attention because of the confusion about whether it's an official U.S. project.

A colorized Kennedy is still a Kennedy and valued at 50 cents, but it's not worth the price of the added color.

Jewelry



Missouri Quarter

'Copy' added to fake coin!

National Collector's Mint, Inc.

Morgan Mint

$19.95 Plus P&H for 50-cent Kennedy

Operation Iraqi Freedom

American Historic Society

Looks Official but Congress hasn't OK'd 9/11 coin or colorized

Hucksters stress U.S. Mint and show colorized coin, causing viewer to think it's authorized.

National Collector's Mint, Inc.

1.5"

Congress authorizes Commemoratives to Benefit Particular Cause or Organization – but not Shuttle

Space Shuttle Commemoratives brought complaints from Consumers

Morgan Mint

U.S. Mint officials say its regulation, calling for stiff fines against scammers who misuse the U.S. Treasury or Mint name or emblem to deceive customers, is right on the money.

American Buffalo Silver Dollar Herd

The Silver Buffalo medallion is inches wider than the U.S. Mint version, but ads make it appear as officially minted. The minter removed "In God We Trust" and it doesn't say "One Dollar," but still ads cause confusion. The .999 silver has its own value.

3.5"

National Collector's Mint, Inc.

John Hart of Chula Vista Coin Dies

John Michael Hart of the Chula Vista Coin and Stamp shop died April 11. Reporter Virginia Bourke said John was very popular with numismatists, but didn't belong to any club that she knew of.

John, who was 69, was born Sept. 21, 1935, in Oregon and served in the Marine Corps during the Korean War.

Survivors include his wife, Jo Ann; daughters, Dawn Jones and Jill Nieto of Washington; sons, Robert, Daniel and Thomas Hart, all of Chula Vista; mother, Madeline Worden of Portland, Ore.; and 14 grandchildren.

Peggy Parker, 59, dies in Oregon

SDNS member Jim Parker's wife, Peggy, died April 2 in Sisters, Oregon, where they lived for several years. She was 59.

Peggy was born on July 9, 1945, to Lloyd and Betty (Wilson) Milton, in Norfolk, Virginia. She worked as a claims representative for the Social Security Administration until 1999.

She was affiliated with the Bend Church of the Nazarene. She volunteered with St. Charles Medical Center's Side-by-Side group and with Sisters Starry Nights. She provided respite care for Alzheimer's patients.

She belonged to the Central Oregon Llama Organization and several numismatic clubs in San Diego. She enjoyed shopping, coin collecting, quilting and helping others.

Peggy is survived by her husband James of Sisters; daughter Nicole Bankhead of San Diego; and four grandchildren.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, May 3, at 6:30 p.m.

Kay Lenker will speak on "Women on Coins and Medals."
Refreshments will also be provided by Kay.

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YesterYears & Names in Review
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5**0 Years Ago** – CSNA Convention in Berkeley was attended by 17 SDNS members: Irving and Mattie Knickerbocker, Gene Johnston, Leonel and Anna Merle Panosh, Tom Ward, Earl Parker, Kenneth Lee, Dr. Calvert Emmons, Dr. Nathan Bowers, Karl Brainard, Abe Kosoff, Roy Hill, John Yribarne, Ed Fogler, Ralph Mitchell, and Thelma Case. Officers are President Robert McArthur, Oakland; VP Harry Davidson, LA; Sec-Treas Tomas Ward, Fallbrook; and Library-Curator Stewart Bingham, Claremont. The fall convention will be in San Diego. New SDNS members: Marty Altbaum, Doug Barber, Dick Cromwell, Walt Gerber, L. T. Gottschal, Harry Himmer, Mrs. Howard Johnson, and George Mestler.

4**0 Years Ago** – The auction lot for the May meeting at Vasa Hall had 25 lots, including a 1927S Buff full horn valued at $20 and a 1847 Liberty seated half XF valued at $15. Exhibitors from 1st on down were John Stadnyk, Nick Brown, Roger Sullivan, C. S. Yowell, Stewart Edgerton, and Frank Dernback. Judges were Sylvia Haffner, Jim Hunt, and Paul Hamm. Charlie Nissen of Oceanside gave a first-hand report on how inflation affected his family in Germany during WWI and beyond.

3**0 Years Ago** – SDS Professor Jon Sutherland spoke on "What Makes Greek and Roman Coins Rare?" He recently spoke at the CSNA Symposium. SDNS exhibit winners were Roger Sullivan 1st; Kay Edgerton 2nd; and Ed Raymond 3rd. Others with displays were Reagan Ratliff, James Hunt, and Phil Centman. Refreshments served by Ana Merle Panosh and Polly Sullivan. The 18th annual Coinarama will be June 21-22 at Scottish Rite Temple. Jack Darnell was general chair.

20 Years Ago – The coinage of Philippines was illustrated in the talk by John Hoover. He said the monetary system was established in 1898 when the islands became a protectorate of the U.S., and in 1935 it was self-governing, followed by independence in 1946. Exhibitors were Dick Glasgow, Ed Raymond, Al Baber, and Dorothy Baber. Refreshments by Paulina Hoover. Door prized won by Betty Young (3), Tony Burrough (2), Lou Wainscott (2), Ted Gottschall, John Hoover, Dick Glasgow, Ed Raymond, Dorothy Baber, and Howard Smith (the President). SDNS members attending CSNA at San Jose: Al and Dorothy Baber, Kay and John Lenker, Pappy and Betty Young, Larry Baber, and Tom Fitzgerald. Larry and Dorothy Baber were elected to CSNA Board. The A. L. Baber Best in Show award went to Victor Titoff for "Reign of Nicholas." John Lenker was in Navy Hospital for tumor surgery, but was up walking slowly the next day. Ruth Gutschow celebrated her 90th birthday and planned on celebrating with the club at the June Club Birthday picnic.

10 Years Ago – The Raffle had 16 lots, including an 1881S Morgan. One guest attend: Vernon Reed of Chula Vista club. Kay Lenker presented talk on "Primitive Money of the Masai Tribe in Kenya." Exhibits: Al & Dorothy Baber, Francis Jones, Mike Shaw, Floyd Murphy, Phil Centman, Roger Sullivan, and Kay Lenker. Refreshments by Elaine Schapira. Raffle prize donations by Al & Dorothy Baber, John Stadnyk, Chuck Luce, Pau Whitnah, and Floyd Murphy. Al Baber and Chuck Luce were in hospitals correcting heart problems.

MSgt. "Pappy" honored on Iwo Jima Medal

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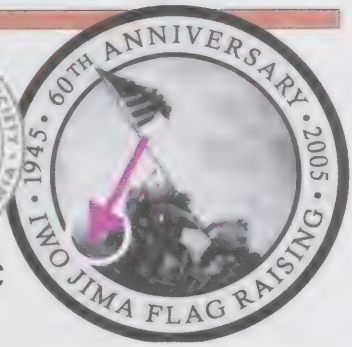

Marine Howard Young, 97, Survived 36-day WWII Battle

" Pappy" will be placed to left of Marine's foot

The designer of the Liberty Numismatic Society in San Mateo, Ed Fulwider, wants all honors for his 60th anniversary medal of bloody Iwo Jima battle go to his dear friend, retired Msgt. Howard "Pappy" Young of Oceanside – long-time SDNS member and of other clubs.

Fulwider was *AT* Iwo, but not *ON* Iwo. He said what he "saw and heard Marines do at Iwo Jima made me all the more determined to become a Marine." He is still chaplain to three Marine groups and a former president of the Liberty Numismatic Society.

He said his dear friend Pappy landed on D-Day and survived the entire 36-day campaign without a scratch. "Pappy once told me that after Iwo, he knew he would *live forever*," Fulwider said. "Pappy is giving it the *'Old Marine Corps Try'* at accomplishing just that. He will be 98 this Sept 15th."

Fulwider said "instead of accepting the honor of having my initials on the medal – a perk for being the winning designer – I asked the engraver to inscribe Pappy's name on lower left side between Iwo and the foot of the Marine reaching up for the flag."

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It's the 48th Coin Celebration!

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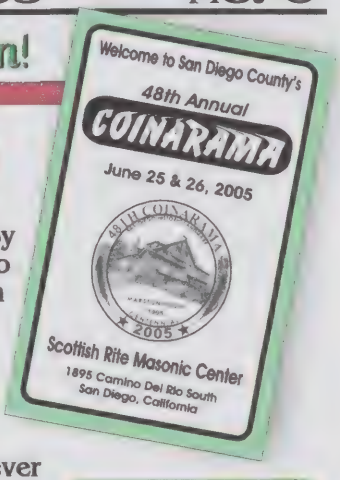


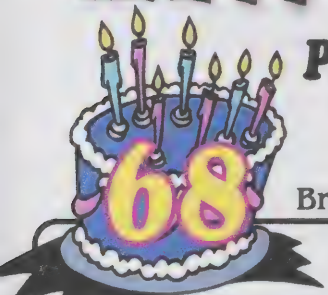
The year of planning for COINARAMA by Chairman Ginny Bourke has trickled down to days until it's time for the June 25 & 26 show in Mission Valley.

The big show at the Scottish Rite Center is a highlight of the summer for county numismatists – and has been for 48 years. All 34 bourse tables were sold out early, so dealers are stocked up and ready for whatever you're searching for!

The seven county numismatic clubs sponsoring the event have ads in the program inviting show visitors to come to their meetings, hoping to gain a few new coin collectors. *See Page 4*

June 25 & 26
Scottish Rite Center
Mission Valley

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SDNS



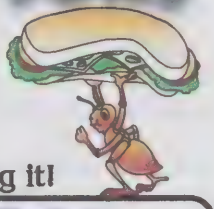
Cake by Paul Whitnah

Picnic in the Park

with Ken Spindler's Chili

June 7th at 6 p.m.

Bring a Take-Out or Brown Bag it!



'Other Hobby Night'

We'll meet in park. eat, and then go inside to show hobbies & have raffle!

San Diego Numismatic Society

Minutes of 3 May 2005 Meeting

The 802nd meeting of the Society was held in the Social Room of the North Park Recreation Center. This was after learning that our regular space could not be opened because the key was not available.

Meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag led by President Spindler.

Treasurer's report was given by Jim Hunt and was accepted. Jim announced that he had tickets for the NASC gold drawing to be held at the Golden State Coin Show. Tickets are $1 per book or 6 books for $5.

Ginny Bourke reported on CSNA's upcoming convention at the GSCS and ANA's Convention in San Francisco in July at Moscone Center.

Old Business: None.

New Business: A check was received from Phil Centman for another donation of $300. June meeting will be a picnic in the park with Ken bringing his famous chili. Kay volunteered to bring cheese and onion toppings. If you don't want chili you can brown bag your dinner. Following the picnic we will meet in the regular rooms for Other Hobby Night. This usually brings out a variety of other interests. Birthday cake will be from member Paul Whitnah.

Program: "Women on Coins and Medals." Kay Lenker talked about some of her favorite women using medals from the Franklin Mint Series Societe de Femmes Celebres issued in the late 1960's. Many of these women were also pictured on coins issued by the countries they ruled such at Catherine the Great of Russia, Victoria of England, Maria Theresa of Austria.

She started her talk with Eve, the mother of us all and ended with another Catharine the Great showing a coin-medal that her husband had designed for their 10th wedding anniversary. It was struck on a gold 100 Korona Piece for both John and Kay. Other pieces were struck in silver and other metals for gifts for family and friends.

VP Dave Jones introduced other exhibitors, including Ken Spindler who had coins of Queens. Roger Sullivan and Jim Wells also kept with the topic and brought material on women.

Refreshments and Raffles: Refreshments were served by Kay Lenker, aided by Ginny Bourke: Angel cake with strawberries and Cool Whip.

Coin of Month for July will be a Franklin half. No coin for June. Goodie jar name was India Jones, who was absent.

Metal dollars went home with Chuck Luce.

Raffle prizes were won by Joyce Darnell, Chuck Luce, Rex Salmon, and others. The secretary should not try to take minutes, give the program, and bring refreshments all in one night. Other raffle winners were not noted.

Kay Edgerton Lenker
Secretary

What's coming up?

June 7 – SDNS Birthday and Picnic in the Park 6 p.m. with Chili by Ken Spindler, followed by *Other Hobby Nite* inside with Birthday Cake by Paul Whitnah of Texas.

June 10 thru July 4 – San Diego County Fair. Exhibit theme: "California Numismatic History." Fair theme: "Cinema Summer." Contact Supt. Lee Darnell at jyjoylee@pacbell.net

June 25 & 26 – 48th Coinarama at Scottish Rite Center in Mission Valley. Opens at 10 a.m. each day. Contact Virginia Bourke at vlbourke@cox.net

July 27-31 – ANA's Summer World's Fair of Money at Moscone West Convention Center in San Francisco. ANA's new website: www.money.org

August 27 & 28 – Golden State Coin Show in Arcadia at Masonic Lodge. NASC and CSNS meetings also. Contact Gary Beedon at beedon@earthlink.net.

November 6 – Fall Show of Heartland Coin Club of El Cajon. Valley Masonic Lodge. Contact Lee Darnell (760) 789-7181 jyyoylee@pacbell.net

Mint messes up Pappy's Medal

Well, "Pappy" almost made it onto the Iwo Jima Medal.

The designer of the 60th Anniversary Medal showing Marines raising the U.S. flag ordered that "Pappy" be put on the medal instead of the designer's initial.

Ed Fulwider had designed it for Liberty Numismatic Society of San Mateo and he wanted to honor a real Marine hero of Iwo Jima – MSgt. Howard "Pappy" Young of Oceanside who is a long-time member of SDNS. He'll be 97 in September.

Ed said he lost it when he found out his initials were on the medal and not Pappy's as he had ordered. He talked to the mint and got an apology, but in trying to support the mistake, said that in all the years of minting medals it had never used any other than the designer's initial. They said since the die had been hardened and it would cost $800 to redo it.

It really hurt Ed to have to tell Pappy "the really terrible news" about what had happened and that his name wouldn't be on the Marine medal.

Daughter reports on Dear Pappy

Pappy's daughter Mickey said her father really loves the Iwo Jima medal and appreciates what Ed has done.

Healthwise, Mickey said he weighs less than 100 pounds but is excited about visiting with those who drop by. She said he loves to watch all the construction activity around the house.

"Pappy quit-claim deeded the house to me and suggested I get a reverse mortgage and fix things up," Mickey said. "I am getting a new driveway and sprinkler systems front and back, plus sod to replace the old nasty Bermuda lawns. There is more parking space, too.

"The driveway is stamped, tinted concrete. It looks like flagstone and is going to be beautiful. Pappy is excited about all the activity. The contractor comes in to visit with Pappy."

Mickey sends love and hugs to friends. Roger Sullivan stopped by last week and he said Pappy is still very sharp even though he's not physically well.

About the Medal Design

The historic 1905 Marston House – a Craftsman home by Architect Irving Gill – graces our 48th COINARAMA medal designed by Andrew Woodruff.

The house sets on the northwest edge of Balboa Park and was built for George W. Marston (1850-1946), who was a big promoter in planting the 1,400-acre city park at the turn of the last century by donating $10,000 to hire a landscaper.

It's the home of the San Diego Historical Society now and is open for tours at 7th and Upas in San Diego. Here's the historic house.

June 25 June 26

COINARAMA

Garrett Burke, the concept designer of the California Quarter, will be available to autograph printed cards for visitors on Saturday, June 25.

Chairman Ginny Bourke made special arrangements for Burke and his wife to be at the show. The small fee for cards will benefit the Council.

Other events on Saturday include dealers setting up at 8 a.m. and the doors opening at 10 a.m. Dealers at the 34 tables will be ready to help you find that elusive coin or bill.

Entrance is $4 and good for both days, but if you're a county club member, it's $3. Kids not yet 16 get in free, and they should head for the Coins for Kids tables on the stage. There's contests and awards for all.

Check out the exhibits and see if you agree with the awarding by the judges.

"Be sure to register for the 5:30 p.m. auction to be held by Jim Hill of Treasure Trove," Ginny said. He'll be at Table 26. His phone is 619-222-8739 if you need info.

On Sunday, the day starts with the 8 a.m. Awards Breakfast at Denny's. She said all are welcome to attend. It's an order-your-own and pay-your-own affair. Awards will be given right after breakfast.

On Sunday, the doors will open at 10 a.m. for over seven hours of selling, buying, bargaining, or getting appraisals.

Security services on the weekend will end at 6 p.m. Sunday. Ginny thanks her committee for another great show planned and ready to go!

Oregon Quarter is next coin to roll out in series

The 33rd state to join the United State of America is the 3rd state of 2005 to be honored in the Mint's 50-State Quarters® Program.

Oregon was admitted into the union on February 14, 1859.

The Oregon quarter features a portion of Crater Lake, the deepest lake in the nation and the 7th deepest in the world. It's 1,949 feet deep – and talk about clear -- it has a record clarity depth of 134 feet.

The design views the lake from the south-southwest rim, incorporating Wizard Island – as well as Watchman and Hillman Peaks – and conifers.

The coin bears the inscription "Crater Lake."

Crater Lake is a unique and stunning natural treasure, formed by the collapse of Mt. Mazama in what is now southern Oregon. The reason for the lake's remarkable clarity is that no streams feed it.

President Theodore Roosevelt established Crater Lake National Park in 1902, with the lake itself as the park's crown jewel.

It is the sixth oldest national park in the country. The mint said since its creation, Crater Lake National Park has helped to protect area's Native American cultural ties and the natural habitat of the animal and plant life.

No Coin of Month for June!

July's Coin of Month: Franklin Half

Raffle for June

1. 2005 Proof Quarter Set
2. 2002/2003 P & D 50¢
3. 1970 Monterey Bicentennial Medal
4. 2005 P & D Bison 5¢ Rolls
5. 1968 Mexico 25 Peso
6. 3-Piece Roses Medal Set
7. 2005 P & D Bison 5¢ Rolls
8. 2004/2005 P & D 50¢
9. 1923 Peace Dollar
10. 2000 Proof Set

Sad ending for COIN TALK show on net

The great COIN TALK show hosted by WS Radio on the internet is history because of lack of sponsors, according to host Jim Hunt.

"With no advertiser support in the wings, the station has no plans to bring back the program," Jim said.

"The archives will still be available for a while for those to who want to catch up on past programs." He said that there are 45 educational programs available to hear at www.wsradio.com/cointalk/

Jim thanked the SDNS Bulletin for its support.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, June 7, at 6 p.m.

Picnic in Park with Ken's Chili, followed by Other Hobby Night.
Birthday Cake will be provided by Paul Whitnah.

Meet on 1st Tuesday of each month

North Park Adult Center, 2719 Howard St., San Diego

Program & Refreshment

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619-479-1786

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Month	Program	Host
July	Open	Open
August	Open	Open

Please call VP Dave Jones if you would share knowledge of your numismatic interest in a program.

Names from YesterYears in Review
1955--1965--1975--1985--1995

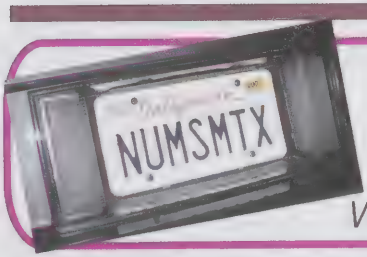
50 Years Ago – SDNS member #2 Elise Wallace died. Her founding husband, Dr. Bruce Wallace, was #1. Lew Panosh spoke on "Odd and Curious Money," and exhibited many specimens, including packsaddles and bullets of Siam and feather money of Santa Cruz Islands. Exhibitors: Gene Johnston, Bill Roberts, Frenchy Vigneault. Francis Jones got a ticket for illegal turn as he neared the SDNS meeting site at the YMCA, 8th and C Street. Mac McAnear sold a 1909S VDB cent for 25 cents at his Union gas station. He put up a "We Buy and Sell Coins" sign and in his busyness, mistakenly labeled the coin! President Jim Andersen appointed Doug Decker Sr. to the executive board and Francis Jones at delegate to CSNA. Lew Panosh took a plane back from Berkeley convention and his wife Anna drove back. She was stopped in a road block and had a cop stick a machine gun in her face. he weren't looking for her.

40 Years Ago – Catharine and Stu Edgerton were back from overseas tour and took over running the monthly auction again. Of the 22 items: 1922 cent good $3.25; 1924D cent good $11; 1938D half fine $27.50. The Bulletin had 24 pages and included library list, council clubs, life members, membership, past presidents, Society constitution, exhibit rules, and bourse rules. Exhibitors: Roger Sullivan, Sylvia Haffner, Stu Edgerton, Raymond Toy, and Dick Thorpe. Applying to join: Jim Hunt, Arthur Doss, and Jim Center.

30 Years Ago – Charles Nissen of Carlsbad spoke on Chinese coinage at the Society's 38th Birthday Party, which also include Other Hobby Night. Bryan Burke was new president of CSNA. Lowell Lundberg is VP of Crescent City C oin Club in New Orleans. Exhibitors: Bill Wright, Roger Sullivan, Kay Edgerton, Jim Hunt, Ed Raymond, Phil Centman, and Dorothy Baber. Members not seen for a spell: Jim Wells and the Roses – Harvey and Patsy. Roger Sullivan announced the dates for the San Diego Expo. In and out of hospitals: Dwight Safford, Nick Knickerbocker, and Dolores Noble.

20 Years Ago – Paulina Hoover's committee organized a potluck dinner for Society's 48th Birthday Party. Attendance was 28. Exhibitors for May: John Lenker, Pappy Young, John Hamilton, Al Baber, Mike Shaw, Ted Gottschall, Dorothy Baber, and Kay Lenker. Door prizes: Howard Smith, Paul Boltz, Roger Sullivan, Al Baber, Paulina Hoover, John Hoover, Pappy Young, and Ted Gottschall.

10 Years Ago – Bill Walter came to promote exhibits for the July 8 & 9 Coinarama. Al Baber talked about the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, saying it does all the printing of a financial nature like bonds and postage stamps, besides minting coins and currency. Exhibitors were Doug Decker, Mike Shaw, Al Baber, Kay Lenker, Dorothy Baber, and Phil Centman. Roger Sullivan was the winner of ANA's Anthology. Editor Dorothy Baber wit: A mugwump is a bird that sits on the fence with its mug on one side and its wump on the other.



CODED LICENSE MESSAGE

Who in California would have these 7 letters tagging the car?

Watch for Answer in July Bulletin!

'Women on Coins and Medals'

Historic women on medals and coins from around the world were addressed by Secretary Kay Edgerton Lenker at the May meeting. She had talked about Catherine the Great of Russia, Queen Victoria of England, and Maria Thresea of Austria, and others in the *Societe de Femmes Celebres* series by Franklin Mint in the 1960s.

"Catharine the Great" Medal
Catharine "Kay" Edgerton Lenker

She ended her talk by holding up her gold necklace to show "another Catharine the Great" Medal. This one had a man named John on it also.

Turned out it was a 10th wedding anniversary present from her husband John Lenker on January 26, 1980.

John designed it for his "Catharine the Great" and had two medals struck on gold 100 Kronas.

More pieces were struck in silver and other metals for gifts to family and friends.

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114th ANA July 27-31

Moscone Center at San Francisco

The Grand-Daddy of all Coin Shows

Summer World's Fair of Money

Will you be among the horde of collectors, famous experts, and over a thousand numismatic dealers who gather for the ANA's 114th Anniversary Convention World's Fair of Money?

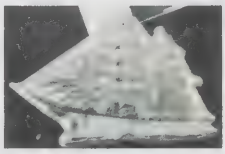
San Francisco is the place to be seen July 27-21 at Moscone West Convention Center.

New this year is the Inaugural Symposium of the Maynard Sundman/Littleton Coin Co. Lecture Series. Keynote speaker Q. David Bowers and selected presenters will focus on American Numismatic History.

Ginny Bourke wins Council's Presidential Award at Fair

1st AWARD

Star of India



Ginny Bourke

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San Diego County Inter-Club Numismatic Council

SDCICNC

PRESIDENTIAL AWARD

In Recognition of Excellency Among the San Diego County Fair Numismatic Displays, this Presidential Award is Presented to

Virginia Bourke

for her display

'STAR OF INDIA'

2005

I congratulate Ginny for her Numismatic Scholarship and present this award on behalf of SDCICNC.

David Jones
President

Ginny Bourke became the star with her prize-winning 'Star of India' exhibit at the San Diego County Fair.

She won this SDCICNC Presidential Award Certificate, an engraved medal, and a check for $50 on Awards Day, June 29.

Several other SDNS members were also honored with awards for their displays. A dozen or so fair visitors would be viewing the exhibits at times.

San Diego Numismatic Society

Minutes of June 2005 Meeting

The 803rd regular meeting of the Society was held at the Adult Center in North Park with an attendance of 23. The meeting followed a picnic in the park with Ken's Now-Famous Chili. It was noted that more would be needed next year!

The meeting began with the pledge to the flag. Correspondence included the ANA ballot. The secretary will vote the ballot after a discussion of the slate.

Jim Hunt gave the treasurer's report, which was accepted. He announced that he has NASC gold tickets.

Ginny Bourke gave reports on CSNA, which will meet at the Golden State Coin Show in August. ANA will meet in San Francisco and a successful motion was made that SDNS be a patron for $25.

Old Business: Roger Sullivan reported on a recent visit with Pappy Young.

New Business: The program for July will be a participation meeting at which the topic will be "Your First or Favorite Coin." The Coin of the Month will be the Franklin half and Ginny Bourke will bring refreshments.

The program topic for August will be the ANA in San Francisco. The coin will be the silver quarter and Wayne Dickey will bring refreshments.

Program: The Other Hobbies Night displays included a wide assortment of love tokens by Roger Sullivan. Kay Lenker brought mechanical coin banks. Larry Baber had Holiday Bowl memorabilia. Terry Cruggs showed an album of cars that he has rebuilt over the years. John Stadnyk shared the paper dollar story, Lewis & Clark five cents and NCS medals. Ken Spindler collects Chinese dragons on furniture and furnishings. He brought ten-cash coins, statues, and plaques. Jim Hunt likes railroads and railroad books. Ginny Bourke looks for early copies of National Geographic at swap meets.

Raffles and Refreshments: Name for the goodie jar was Bob Rittenhouse. Paul Whitnah provided the birthday cake for refreshments. Raffle prizes were won by Everett Jones, Joyce Darnell, Ellen Hunt, Kay Lenker, Roy Peich (2), Dave Jones, Jim Wells, Wayne Dickey, and Jean Luce (2).

Respectively submitted, *Kay Edgerton Lenker* Secretary

Raffle for July

Coin of Month: Franklin Half

1. 2005 Proof Quarter Set
2. 1904, 1905, 1906 Indian Cents
3. Two "Ship" coins
4. 2002/03 P & D Kennedy
5. 1968 Mexico 25 Peso
6. 1979 ANA 3-Pc. Medal Set
7. 2004/05 P & D Kennedy
8. 2002 Turkey 1,000,000 Lira
9. Indian Head Silver Round
10. 2005 Mint Set

SEMPER FI PAPPY!

It's taps for Howard Young

Pappy was a Marine's Marine. He was bigger than life with his courage.

He was a hero, an outstanding Marine who gave no thought for his life in the heat of WWII battles. He rescued many buddies.

He fought the entire 36-day bloody Iwo Jima battle without a scratch and saw Marines raising the famous flag on Mt. Surabachi.

MSgt. Howard Young, known affectionately as Pappy, was coming upon his 98th birthday when he heard taps calling for him June 22.

A memorial celebration party is planned July 6 at 2 p.m. in the Oceanside Elks Club. For directions and reservations for a catered lunch, call 760-458-1191.

Pappy, the son of Ida Buster and Coey Young, was born on Sept. 15, 1907, in Rockford, Washington.

In 1929 Pappy won a contest offering marriage while airborne in a biplane. He proposed to sweetheart Betty Scotten, she accepted, and their nuptial flight started a marriage that lasted 69 years. Their daughter Beverly (Mickey) was born in 1931 and son Neil (Skip) in 1933.

Pappy's lovely mate died in 1998.

To support his family, he sold vacuum cleaners door-to-door, showed movies at a theater, and operated an elevator. He learned meat cutting.

Pappy joined the Marine Reserves in 1938 in Seattle and was called to active duty in 1940 on eve of WWII.

He had just opened a butcher shop, closed it and reported to San Diego at Camp Elliott. He was a radio tech but when word got out that he was a butcher, he got mess hall duty.

In 1942 Camp Pendleton was dedicated by President Roosevelt and Pappy set up the first mess hall.

Pappy saw duty on Guadalcanal, New Zealand, and was with the 5th Marine Division on Iwo Jima.

He learned to fly under the GI Bill and became a certified instructor. As an air traffic controller, he served at El Toro and in Korea. In retirement, he was again a meat cutter at 'CamPen.'

He manufactured coin holders with Plexiglas and attended world shows and was active in several coin clubs.

Friend Ed Fulwider honored him with an Iwo Jima medal marking 60 years.

Pappy stressed that he wanted "No funeral" so Mickey says "Welcome to Pappy's Party. It's about his life."

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, July 5, at 6:30 p.m.

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September	Open	Open

COINARAMA

PHOTOS BY BOB FRITSCH

Chalk up another Winner for the popular 2005 show

The 48th Coinarama was such a success that 15 dealers were turned away because of the lack of bourse tables.

Kay Lenker said the 15 have already requested tables for the 2006 show set for July 1 & 2 in same location -- but in the Big Room to allow more space for a bigger bourse.

Attendance this year was 504, up from 445 last year.

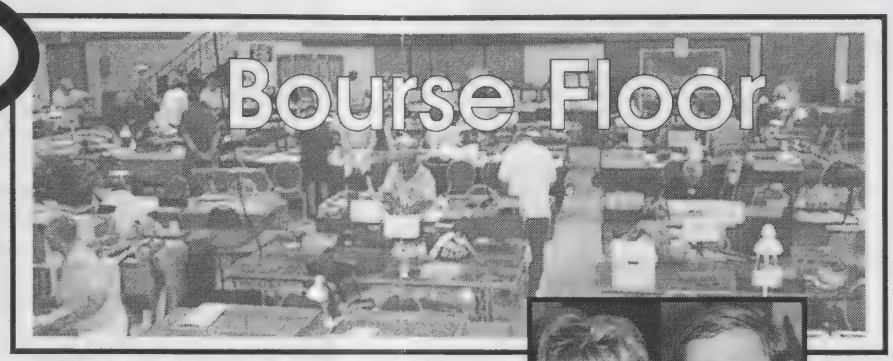
Kay said the buyers came early and spent a lot of money, making the dealers very happy with Coinarama. Many visitors who signed in came from over 100 miles away, and some from out of state, including Denver.

The prestigious Medal of Merit was to be presented to Phil Centman at the Sunday Breakfast Awards meeting, but he was hospitalized during the night so it was presented to him in the hospital and it cheered him up.

The Coins for Kids was again very popular. The kids couldn't wait until their parents registered to get up to the projects that David and Nancee Nichols had arranged. While the kids learned and played, the parents paid dealers for coins they wanted.

General Chairman Ginny Bourke said that Garrett Burke was very gracious in signing just about anything. She said he signed all the cards and those unsold will be distributed to clubs to sell.

For the exhibitors, the Best in Show went to Kay Lenker. Ken Spindler, sponsor of the Kay Edgerton Lenker Award, presented the award to Kay Lenker. Kay displayed the German "Wild Man" series about medieval life in Europe.



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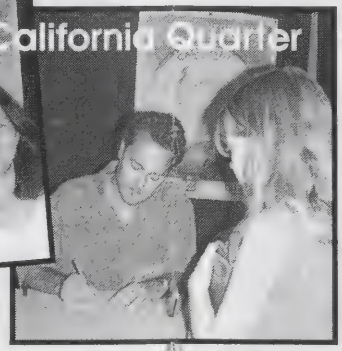
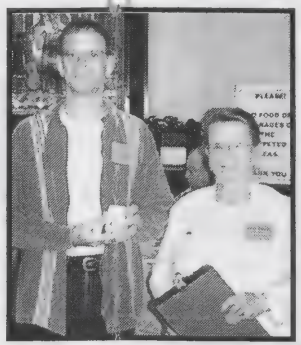


Designer Garrett Burke and wife Michelle sign Coinarama cachets to benefit the council.

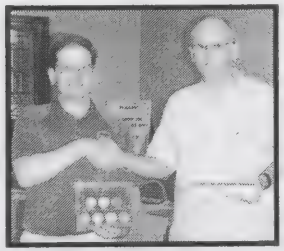
Jim Hunt wins 2nd Award



Ken Spindler gets 1st & 3rd Awards from Joyce Darnell.

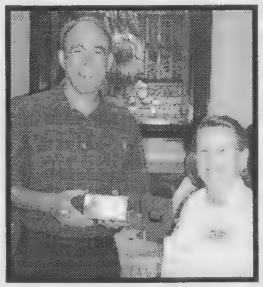
BEST IN SHOW

Sponsor Ken Spindler presents the Kay Edgerton Lenker Award to Kay Lenker



Medal designer Andrew Woodruff gets medal set from Joe Yager.

Chairman Ginny Bourke gets medals from Joe Yager.



Jim Wells gets 4th Award from Joyce Darnell.

Steve Farhlander gets People's Choice Award from Joyce Darnell.

Quarter Exhibits Popular with Kids

Fair Visitors Eye the Coins

Getting Fair visitors – especially the younger ones – from the Midway excitement to the static Grandstand exhibits is always a challenge.

Two exhibits that drew kids to the numismatic displays were the ones with the State Quarters Series, which is very significant.

The U.S. Mint has been saying that the series has sparked new interest in coin collecting with over 160 million searching for the latest quarters.

"We have all these coins except for this one," one boy pointed out to his friend.

The two quarter exhibits were entered by juniors, who won 1st places. The visiting kids enjoyed the kids' entries.

In the adult exhibits Ken Spindler won two 1st place awards, including Best of Division for non-theme for "Tiny Treasures," which featured coins of the world smaller than a dime. His other winner was on world tokens.

County siblings spotting their favorite coins are Adiel, 14, David, 11, Abigail, 9, and Natalia, 6.

Lacey, left, and Lauren check free foreign coin given to young visitors.

Supt. Lee Darnell doing his job!

Numismatic Winners at Fair

Andrew Woodruff, 2nd Place, "California Dreamin"
Andrew Woodruff, "The 1923 Silver Certificate"
Andrew Woodruff, Tokens, "Casino de Isthmus City"
Kay Edgerton Lenker, 2nd Place, Non-theme "The Silver Dollar Story"
Kay Edgerton Lenker, 3rd Place, Tokens "San Diego Tokens"
Ken Spindler, 1st Place, Non-theme, Best of Division, "Tiny Treasures"
Ken Spindler, 1st Place, Tokens " Internat'l Numismatic Society of SD"
Larry Baber, 3rd Place Non-theme "Swedish Plate Money"
Ginny Bourke, 1st place Theme, Council President's Award. "Star of India"
Gregory Schenewerk, Non Theme "Jefferson Nickel"
Ken Aring, 2nd Place, Tokens, "Civic Badges of East Asia"
Steve Fahrlender, "How Many Legs Does A Buffalo Have?"
Patrick Johnson, Non-theme, no title
Cole Schenewerk, Junior, 1ST Place "The Eisenhower Dollar"
Torrey Schenewerk, Junior, 1st Place "2005 Statehood Quarter Program"
Heather Worster, Junior 1st Place "Statehood Quarters"

Yester Years & Names in Review
1955--1965--1975--1985--1995

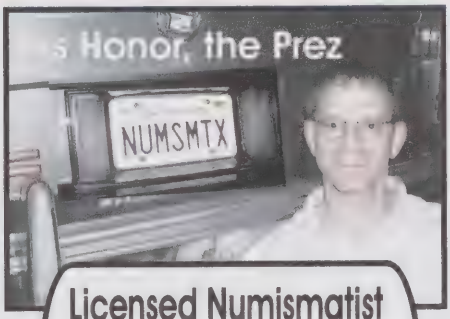
50 Years Ago: At the 1955 Southern California Expo, there were 50 numismatic exhibits. Chairman Doc Wallace looked forward to the day when numismatists would have enough exhibits to be assigned a separate building. Fair winners were Eugene Cooper, Jim Andersen, Doug Decker, Doc Wallace, Margaret Heffner, Francis Jones, Al Beckett, Olav Berghli, Ace Newman, Rowland Stokes, Lew Panosh, Minnie and Atwood MacDonald, Frenchy Vigneault, Bill Roberts, Tom Ward, Sandra and Doug Decker Jr., Clive Foss, Paul Johnson, and Harold Miller. On the sick list were Anna Panosh, Francis Jones, Doc Wallace, and Charlie Leuschner. National Coin Week exhibits were placed in 35 locations in Pacific Beach, National City, La Mesa, and El Cajon by area club members.

40 Years Ago: The 8th Coinarama medal featured the Panama California Exposition 1915-1965, designed by Jean Busch. Attendance was 1,600 for the three days and 50 exhibitors filled 89 cases. Mary Saarni won Best in Show with "History Through Roman Coins." First Awards went to Roger Sullivan, Thomas Rose, Al Baber, Dorothy Baber, Joe Garside, Jim Center, and Sylvia Haffner. Meeting night had 34 items on the auction, including a 1950 proof set estimated at $185, according to auction chairman Catharine Edgerton. Exhibitors were Aage Andersen, Joe Garside, and Roger Sullivan (whose exhibit was "Numismatic Junk"). Bulletin Editor was Dorothy Baber.

30 Years Ago: Jim Hunt gave a Numismatic Quiz with a silver dollar prize to winner. Jack Darnell's committee finished the 1975-76 Coin Club Calendar. Member Rex Salmon is back from his four-year stint as editor of the Borrego Sun, but was on disability from the Tribune with an undiagnosed malady. Bulletin included an essay by Jim Hunt on "California Small Denomination God: A Theory." Exhibitors were Roger Sullivan, Catherine Edgerton, and Phil Centman. Chartered bus trip planned for the ANA confab in LA. Telegram from Lowell and Bev Lundberg of New Orleans wished success at Coinarama.

20 Years Ago: Other Hobby Night entries included Al Baber's computer station he designed and built, Roger Sullivan's Hobo Nickels, Dorothy Baber's Counted Cross-Stitchery, Ted Gottschall's Navy Career Shadow Box, Howard Smith's Leather Postcards, John Lenker's Circus Flyers, Mike Shaw's Library of British History, Kay Lenker's Cookbooks of Jackie Olden – KNX Radio, Bill Hendricks' Candle Sticks, and John Hoover's Framed Norman Rockwell Items. Raffle prizes were won by Chuck Luce (4), Marjorie Shaw, Roger Sullivan, John Lenker, Ivah Vigneault, Paul Boltz, and Dick Glasgow. Editor Dorothy's wit: "When a habit begins to cost money, it's called a hobby."

10 Years Ago: Kay Lenker will be Yapping it up with stone money as her program topic. President Ginny Bourke won the Fair's Theme prize with "War Depicted by Society of Medalists Designers." Member Paul Whitnah of Texas supplied cake for Society's Birthday. India Jones won the 12 "coins of the evening" cents. Other Hobby Night displays were by Doug Decker, Elaine Schapira, Paul Boltz, Roger Sullivan, Kay Lenker, Dorothy Baber, and Al Baber. Bulletin Editor's note: *"Husband Al has been in the hospital again – the angioplasty done in December and March did not help. Al continues to have chest pains, and top of that, the plum and apricot trees were very prolific and could care less about my priorities!"*



Licensed Numismatist

President Ken Spindler is the answer to the mystery-license question in the June Bulletin. Ken said he get some funny guesses from strangers trying to figure out the coined license code.

Why was Bulletin Late?

The editor says it wasn't late -- just up-to-date! He was in Nebraska for three weeks and returned June 30.

Getting the details and photos of the fair exhibits and Coinarama was important to be included in this issue.

The 4th of July Holiday kept you from getting this on Monday. So, smile and be thankful that the sun still pops up.

Oregon's 1st-Day Covers out July 7

The U.S. Mint will release 50,000 Oregon Official First-Day Coin Covers on July 7 for $19.95.

The limited-edition cover – available at www.usmint.gov, or by toll-free 1-800-USA-MINT – has mint marks from Philadelphia and Denver.

Only 50,000 display cards will be produced featuring Oregon quarters minted on the first day of mintage on May 4, 2005, along with the 37-cent Flag stamp.

What's coming up?

July 27-31 – ANA's Summer World's Fair of Money at Moscone West Convention Center in San Francisco. ANA's new website: www.money.org

August 27 & 28 – Golden State Coin Show in Arcadia at Masonic Lodge. NASC and CSNS meetings also. Contact Gary Beedon at beedon@earthlink.net.

November 6 – Fall Show of Heartland Coin Club of El Cajon. Valley Masonic Lodge. Contact Lee Darnell (760) 789-7181 jyyoylee@pacbell.net

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Golden State Coin Show

See you in Arcadia Aug. 27 & 28

OK, you just got back from the great ANA show in San Francisco and now it's time to get ready for the Golden State Coin Show in Arcadia at the Masonic Lodge on August 27 & 28.

Whether you're on bourse, taking exhibits, or meeting friends, there's the giant gold raffle and meetings of NASC and CSNA – something for everyone. Plus awards banquet & entertainment.

Silver Dollar Marine

USMC USMC USMC USMC

The 230th birthday of the U.S. Marine Corps was celebrated with a silver dollar minted for its military service dating back to 1775. The coin was released 20 July at the USMC headquarters in Quanitco, Virginia. Proud Marines will love Congress for this coin.

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Sunflower

State Shines Next

Kansas Quarter Due Sept. 9

Like the tornado sweeping Dorothy and Toto out of Kansas, young Albert Baber swept his drive-in waitress girlfriend – also named Dorothy – off her feet and out of Kansas, and into San Diego reality. This Quarter is for you, Dorothy. Details on page 4.

San Diego Numismatic Society

Minutes of July 2005 Meeting

The 804th meeting of the Society was held 5 July 2005 in the Adult Rooms of the North Park Recreation Center. Attendance was 24. President Ken Spindler opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

Jim Hunt gave the treasurer's report which was accepted.

Ginny Bourke reported on the CSNA's next meeting at the Golden State Coin Show. She is Exhibit Chair and had forms.

ANA report by Ginny stated that the World's Fair of Money would be in San Francisco and some members are planning to attend and to exhibit.

Ginny reported that the COINARAMA was a huge success and we had requests for more dealer tables than we could handle. We will move to the larger room next year at a date not to conflict with the state bar courses so that we would have more parking for the show.

Old Business: None

New Business: August meeting will be reports on the San Francisco ANA and the Coin of the Month will be a silver quarter. Refreshments will be a donation from Irv Wool. September's program will be Ken Berger on Philippine paper money. The coin will be a silver dime, with refreshments by Wayne Dickey.

Program: Evening topic was Favorite or First Coin. Jim Hunt had the medal for the 2005 ANA convention, which has been a sell out. Kay Lenker had her 1776 Continental Dollar and told how she purchased it at a COINARAMA auction conducted by Harvey Rose. Jim Wells had a poster that he is assembling of American type coins. His first gold coin was a $1 commemorative from the Louisiana Expo that was a gift from his grandfather. Larry Baber had two new acquisitions of Swedish Plate Money – a 1673 dollar and a 1726 $4. Terry Cruggs showed a One Dollar Note story frame made by Ev Jones that he bought at an auction. Mike Shaw had a collection of vending machine material stuff instead of coins. Roger Sullivan had a silver spoon with a hand engraved bowl patented in 1902. Bob Fritsch had a note signed by new Treasurer Cabral and he had pictures of COINARAMA and the Fair, plus elongated cents from Star of India. Ken Spindler shared his ribbon trophies from the County Fair and his belt buckle made from a Venetian coin of 1621 and 1622, and a taler from Hannover dated 1627.

Raffles and Refreshment: Terry Cruggs claimed the goodie jar. Refreshments were brought and served by Ginny Bourke. Raffle prizes were won by Roger Sullivan, Chuck Luce (2), Wayne Dickey, Jean Luce (2), Mike Shaw, Dorothy Baber, Ken Spindler, Mike Shaw, and Bob Fritsch.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kay Edgerton Lenker Secretary

Raffle for August

Coin of Month: Silver Quarter

1. 2005 P & D Mint Set
2. 1984 Coin Set of St. Helena
3. 1990 Proof Set
4. 2005 P & D Bison 5¢ Rolls
5. Autographed California 25¢ Cachet
6. Three Indian Cents
7. 1962 S Proof 10¢
8. 1974 Poland 200 ZL
9. 1968 Mexico 25 Peso
10. 2005 Westward Journey 5¢ Set

Billions on Display

WORLD'S FAIR OF MONEY

U.S. exhibits $10,000 face plates

It was a Billion-Dollar Show with plenty of change left over. It was ANA's World's Fair of Money. It lived up to its name when it comes to SF class.

For the first time ever, the Bureau of Printing and Engraving exhibited currency face plates -- dating back to 1934-- which were used to print the $500 and $10,000 bills with the San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank designation.

The BEP also showcased its Billion-Dollar Exhibit which features more than a billion dollars of antique currency, Treasury bonds, and gold and silver certificates. Talk about a World's Fair of U.S. Money!

Treasurer Anna Escobedo Cabral joined the nation's security printer – the BEP, at the ANA Money Show July 27. She attended the World's Fair of Money Ribbon Cutting Ceremony as well as a Treasurer's Forum to discuss Treasury initiatives and financial education.

BEP also sold uncut sheets of U.S. paper currency, plus one of its Plate Printers demonstrated on the antique Spider Press during the convention.

In honor of this expo, the BEP introduced the ANA World's Fair of Money Intaglio Print card which features the back of the Series 1882 $10 National Currency Note and a vignette of Yosemite National Park.

The BEP showcased the Series 2003A $1 uncut sheets of currency which bear the signatures of Treasury Secretary John W. Snow and Treasurer Cabral. Series 2003 $2 sheets of uncut currency produced for the San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank were also be displayed.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, August 2, at 6:30 p.m.

Reports from ANA World Fair of Money at San Francisco.
Refreshments will be provided by Irv Wool.

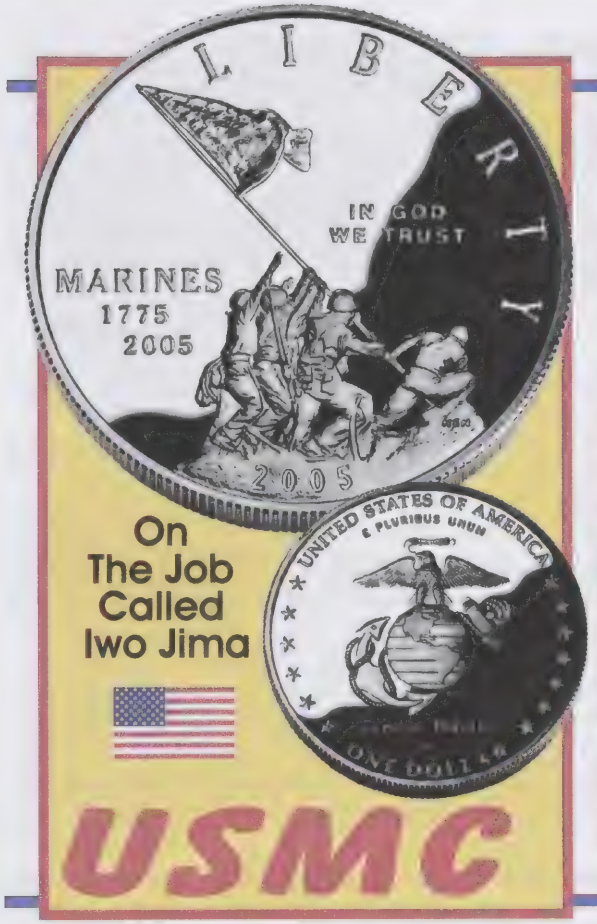
Meet on 1st Tuesday of each month

North Park Adult Center, 2719 Howard St., San Diego

Volunteer Hotline for VP Dave is 619-479-1786

Speakers should limit presentations to 20-25 minutes to allow enough time for all of the club's events.

Month	Program	Host
September	Ken Berger on Philippine Paper Money	Wayne Dickey
October	Open	Open



Marines Saluted for 230 Years of *Semper Fi*

The U.S. Marines have landed on a Silver Dollar and the situation is well in hand historically.

The Marine Corps is the first military service to be honored with a commemorative coin on the occasion of its 230th Anniversary. The dates on the coin released in a ceremony July 20 at its headquarters in Quantico, Virginia, read 1775 & 2005.

1945 Stamp

Mint Director Henrietta Holsman Fore said "Marines fight our wars and guard our embassies. When any part of the world erupts in chaos, we 'send in the Marines.' We ask them and expect them to do the hardest thing of all, to give their lives for us."

"Today, the United States Mint launches this commemorative coin in honor of the United States Marine Corps's leadership in war and peace."

Thousands watched as Fore and Gen. Michael W. Hagee, Commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps, presented two new silver dollars to Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Ron Christmas, president of the Marine Corps Heritage Foundation, which will get a surcharge of each dollar sold to help construct the Marine museum.

Following the ceremony and Marine Corps Band performance, Quantico became the first place in the nation where the public could buy both the proof and uncirculated Corps dollar with the P mint mark.

The silver dollars also were available online, by telephone and by mail, from the United States Mint.

Designed by Mint sculptor-engraver Norman E. Nemeth, the obverse mirrors AP photographer Joe Rosenthal's photograph taken February 23, 1945– believed to be the most reproduced photo in history.

The reverse, by Mint sculptor-engraver Charles L. Vickers, features an engraving of the Eagle, Globe and Anchor, the official Corps emblem – virtually unchanged since 1868.

The Corps was founded 230 years ago, following skirmishes at Lexington and Concord, Massachusetts. Delegates to the Second Continental Congress assembled in Philadelphia and on November 10, 1775, ordered the raising of two Marine battalions to serve as a landing force for the growing colonial fleet.

It was the first link in an unbroken chain of distinguished, heroic service that runs the full length of United States history. Philadelphia is the birthplace of both the Marine Corps and the United States Mint.

The Secretary of Treasury authorized a maximum

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Kansas Quarter to bellow at State Fair Sept. 9

Three sunflowers pose beside a bison chewing his cud on the Kansas Prairie – that's the majestic reverse of the 34th coin in the Quarter Series.

The coin will premiere at the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson on Sept. 9th. Everyone under 18 will receive the new Kansas quarter at the gate, which will have free admission on the opening date until 11 a.m. Boy, talk about a possible stampede that the buffalo never heard of! It's a win-win situation with free-free! A troop of Buffalo Soldiers will also participate.

State officials were at the Denver Mint on July 18 watching their favorite coin of the 50-state series being minted.

Kansas is nicknamed the Sunflower State and there's plenty of those to go around. In the summertime, there's sunflowers everywhere, but how many "buffaloes" do they see? About 125 years ago, bison did roam across the Great Plains – or the Great American Desert as some called it.

Michael Martinez of Phil's Coins in Wichita said some people liked the coin and others weren't so excited. "It's 50-50," Martinez said. "Some people say it's too plain; others like it because it is so simple."

Eric Engstrom, a Wichita historian and coin collector, said "I feel proud of our design," he said. "It is a crisp, clean design that evokes the state."

Some state's quarters are more popular than others. Fewer coins were issued for some states, which makes them in demand for collectors.

Wisconsin's is popular because of an error on some of the first coins, Martinez said, and some sold for $500 -- but now people can buy them for under $100.

"Most people who wanted an error quarter have already bought them," Martinez said. "The thing about error coins is that you never can tell how rare it will be. You don't know if they made a hundred of them or a million."

Editor's Note: Thanks to *Wichita Eagle* for its help in this article!

2005 nickel

"When any part of the world erupts in chaos, we 'send in the Marines.' We Ask them and expect them to do the hardest thing of all, to give their lives for us." – Mint Director Henrietta Fore

COMMEMORATIVE TO BENEFIT MUSEUM

Silver Dollar honors Marines' 230 years!

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mintage of 600,000 proof and uncirculated coins.

The coin also is part of two special sets, which are available for purchase today as well. The 2005 United States Mint American Legacy Collection™, reminiscent of the Prestige Set previously offered by the United States Mint, will offer the Marine Corps 230th Anniversary Proof Silver Dollar and the Chief Justice John Marshall Proof Silver Dollar, released earlier this year, along with proof versions of all 2005-dated circulating coins.

Also offered is a Marine Corps Coin & Stamp Set containing a Marine Corps 230th Anniversary Uncirculated Silver Dollar and an original un-canceled (known as mint condition) 1945 three-cent Iwo Jima stamp.

During the initial issue period of July 20 until August 22nd , the proof silver dollar will be available from the United States Mint online, by telephone and by mail for $35 and the uncirculated silver dollar for $33.

After August 22nd, the proof silver dollar will be available for $39 and the uncirculated silver dollar for $35.

The Marine Corps Coin & Stamp Set will sell for $40.00 and have a limit of five sets per order and household. Shipment of the Marine Corps Coin & Stamp begins August 1st.

The American Legacy Collection will sell for $135.00 and have a limit of ten sets per order and household. Shipment of this product will begin August 29th.

You can purchase the Marine Comemorativer Dollar on the Mint's secure website, www.usmint.gov, or by calling 1-800-USA-MINT (872-6468). A shipping and handling fee of $4.95 per order will be added to all domestic orders.

Congress authorizes the annual production of two commemorative coins honoring American people, places, events and institutions. The Mint released the first commemorative coin of 2005, the Chief Justice John Marshall Silver Dollar, for sale on April 25, 2005.

Yester Years & Names in Review
1955--1965--1975--1985--1995

50 Years Ago – The 17th CSNA convention was set for U.S. Grant Hotel Nov. 10-13 with a single room going for $7 and a double for $9. Bourse cost $15 and exhibit space 50 cents. Francis Jones was general chair and Leonel Panosh was honorary chair. Anna and Lew Panosh were the only two going to ANA Omaha. Doc Ray Wilson couldn't go and he asked Anna to take his place. Lew had been wanting to go but now he had a reason: He was Anna's escort. The society pulled out all stops for National Coin Club, with 30 talks and demos at schools, radio, TV, lodges, hospital, church, scouts, Navy and college.

40 Years Ago – Auction lots for August 1965 meeting included 1908S cent VF-XF $50, 1850 $2.5 gold F $35, 1851 half-cent VF $17.50, 1938 Jefferson VF $2.75, and a 1957 proof set mint sealed $10. The Society has 195 members, including 4 juniors and 7 life members. Member total was almost 200 – even after dropping 49 for non-payment. Stu and Catherine Edgerton and Roger Sullivan were pictured on cover of Bulletin. At the County Fair, the Edgertons won Best in Show with "Coins and Medals of the 18th Olympiad." Roger won the Elise Wallace Memorial for his "German Military Decorations." SDNS won 9 of the 13 first place awards.

30 Years Ago – The 84th ANA is set to run Aug. 19-24 at LA Marriott, but no bus this year. Even with a $4 fare, only 15 signed up. The County Fair's Best in Show went to Jim Wells and he was also the 3-time winner of the Elise Wallace Trophy. President Jim Hunt popped a Coin Quiz on members and the high scorer – Phil Centman – won a Morgan dollar. Editor Dorothy Baber hurried to get he Bulletin to press because she was knee-deep in ripe apricots. And Dorothy has been editor for so long, the Bulletins have stacked up to three bound volumes – all gifts of Harvey and Patsy Rose.

20 Years Ago – At the County Fair, Howard Smith won Best in Show for "Transcontinental Railroad" and Al Baber won the theme award with "Numismatics is . . . " 1st places were won by Larry Baber and Barbara Smith. Former member Jim Wells was spotted checking out the coins at the fair and said he would be rejoining SDNS. Jim Hunt presented gold and material on the Moffatt and Co – "Profile of a Pioneer Minter." John Lenker is done with daily visits at the Naval Hospital and will spend more time in Redlands looking at cookbooks. He's got his appetite back and wants some great recipes. He'll speak on Pancho Villa at the August meeting.

10 Years Ago – Kay Lenker spoke on stone money from Yap. Kay and John visited the island in 1987. She even had samples, small change of course. Jim Hunt shared a look at his 1839-0 capped bust half dollar that he bought at COINARAMA. Florence Peich, who baked carrot cake for dessert, won the coins of the evening – birds and fish.

Election Results

2005 ANA Board of Governors

New ANA officers were installed July 30 in San Francisco. These results were reported by auditors BiggsKofford.

FOR PRESIDENT

William H. Horton Jr. – Keyport NJ – 4,145 votes
C. William Rossman – Monument CO – 3,916 votes

FOR VICE PRESIDENT

Barry Stuppler -- Woodland Hills CA – 4,455 votes
Arthur M. Fitts III – Framingham MA – 3,587 Votes

FOR GOVERNOR

Patricia A. Jagger-Finner -- Iola WI – 6,088 votes
Donald H. Kagin -- Tiburon CA – 6,008 votes
Alan Herbert – Belle Fourche SD – 5, 524 votes
M. Remy Bourne -- Minneapolis MN – 5,242 votes
Prudence Fitts -- Framingham MA – 5,040 votes
Michael S. Fey – Morris Plains NJ -- 4,642 votes
Walter A. Ostromecki Jr. --Panorama City CA – 4,215 votes
Brian E. Fanton -- Hiawatha IA – 4,027 votes
Michael S. Turrini -- Vallejo CA --3,775 votes
Anthony Tumonis --Tucson AZ – 3,737 votes

What's coming up?

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ANA Awards Garnered

The ANA Awards Ceremony was almost replayed at the August meeting with area winners showing awards.

For exhibits, Kay Lenker got a 2nd place and Jim Hunt got a 3rd place.

Bob Fritsch's plaque cited him as "Outstanding Regional Coordinator."

Jim Hunt & Jim Wells win 3rd Place for their great Lewis & Clark Expedition article published.

Bob Fritsch the Big Winner

All but the Mint Key!!

Bob receives the Terry Armstrong Award from Gar Travis In San Francisco

Editor Rex with Dorothy & Ginny

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Spider Press Treasure of Ellen Hunt's

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Minutes of August 2005 Meeting

The 805th meeting of the Society was held 2 August 2005 in the Adult Rooms of the North Park Recreation Center. Attendance was 22 with guests Richard & Camille Horak joining the Society.

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag led by President Ken Spindler. Old Business: None.

Vice President Everett Jones presented the program which consisted of reports on the San Francisco ANA by those who had attended. Led off by Jim & Ellen Hunt, who had stories of their private Mint tour and other experiences including getting specimens from the Spider Press. The materials they brought back covered a large area and included a second place award for Jim and a judge's medal. Dorothy Baber followed and because there was so much other material took hers from the briefcase as she talked about the items. Kay Lenker followed with her second place exhibit award and her judge's medal. Ginny Bourke told of manning the CSNA table and recruiting new members along with Lila Anderson, Phil Iversen, Roy Iwata, Steve Huston, and others. Then Ginny and Dorothy presented Rex Salmon with the award for best club publication. Jim Wells followed with his stories. Bob Fritsch also had a large layout that included the Terry Armstrong for Outstanding District Delegate, as exhibit award and other items from meetings.

Refreshments were brought and served by Kay Lenker in Irv Wool's name. Name for the goodie jar was Irv Wool, who wasn't there and Jim Wells name was next called and he claimed the contents but returned most of the material to be used again.

Speaker for the next meeting will be Ken Berger.

Respectfully submitted, *Kay Edgerton Lenker* *Secretary*

Coin of Month: Silver Dime

Raffle for September

1. 7 Pc. set of Hong Kong Coins
2. 2005 P & D Mint Set
3. 2005 P & D 5¢ Bison Rolls
4. 1983 Proof Set
5. Autographed Calif. 25¢ Cachet
6. 1963 D Quarter
7. Turkey 1,000,000 Lira
8. 1963 Ben Franklin 50¢
9. 1921 Morgan Dollar
10. 2000 Proof Set

Chuck Luce – Rafflemeister

Dorothy Featured for Her Volunteerism

Dorothy Baber knows where all the bodies are buried at the El Cajon Courthouse.

Well, more or less figuratively. While there aren't any tombstones, she knows all the scoop and has it at the tip of her tongue.

Dorothy and ANA Badges

Dorothy retired years ago when the judge she worked with was transferred to the courts in San Diego. She said "No Thanks" because she didn't want to commute downtown.

So, she's been a volunteer on the information desk ever since and still makes the short trips a couple times a week to volunteer.

This past month she was one of the stars in the half-hour series on county volunteers filmed by the CTN, the County Television Network. It was airing twice daily 7 a.m. and at 8 p.m.

Dorothy was also featured on the job in a picture and story by the San Diego Union-Tribune.

Also, for years, she been a volunteer at ANA convention – with her family following in her footsteps of volunteering. She was also the volunteer editor of this Bulletin for over 40 years.

Congratulations, Dorothy, and thanks for being such a public-minded citizen – even in the junior-senior prom portion of your senior years!!

Next Meeting: **Coin of Month: Silver Dime**

Tuesday, September 6, at 6:30 p.m.

Ken Berger to speak on Philippine Paper Money
Refreshments by Wayne Dickey

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October	Open	Open
November	Open	Open

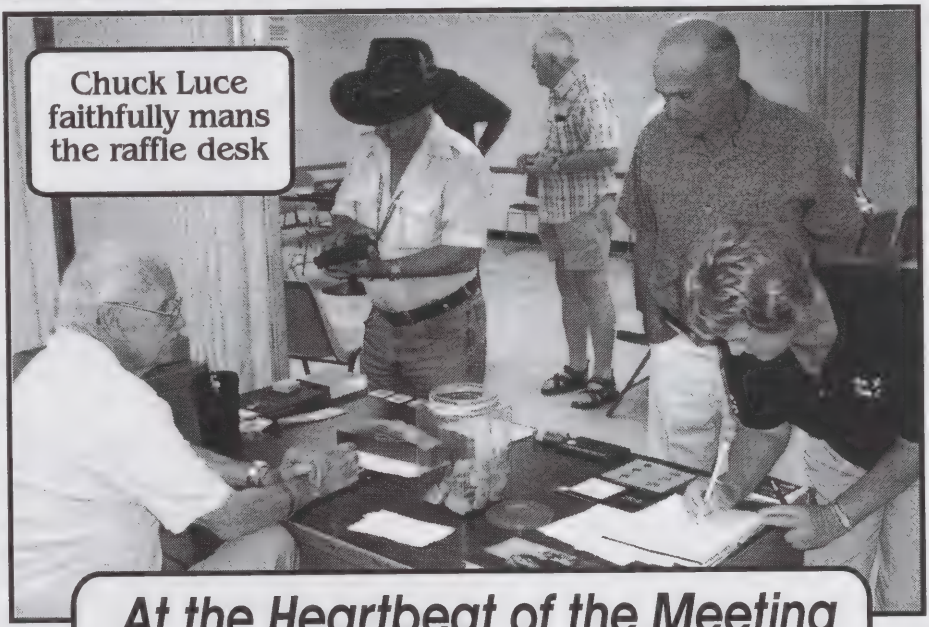
1ST PLACE IN USA

ANA picked SDNS Bulletin as best club publication at World's Fair of Money.

These 12 Bulletins were what the ANA judges saw in competition of the numismatic publications from clubs around the nation.

Editor Rex Salmon feels honored.

Each issue had center spreads like these samples!



Chuck Luce faithfully mans the raffle desk

At the Heartbeat of the Meeting

At some time during each meeting, all members will stand in front of Chuck Luce at his desk on the south side of the hall. Some will be looking at the prizes while buying raffle tickets, some chatting with Chuck, but all will be signing in each month, hopefully!

Here, Ginny signs the attendance sheet, while Ev Jones waits his turn and eyes the August raffle prizes. The sleeve of a red and white shirt to the right of Ev means that Robert F. Fritsch – as the ANA's Terry Armstrong Memorial Award calls him – is waiting to sign in also. Bob lives in New Hampshire and is a member of clubs across the country. He's in attendance often at SDNS, and somehow while holding down a full-time job!!!

Lance Dohe inspects one of the 10 prizes that Chuck selects each month for the raffle. Donors also contribute prizes each month. Jim Hunt is chatting with Mike Shaw in the back while others are looking at the awards and material from the ANA in San Francisco.

Last issue of Bulletin for Editor Rex

Due to health problems and time constraints with previous commitments, Rex Salmon has to say farewell to editorship of the SDNS Bulletin after two years. He'll still be a member. "You can't get rid of this ugly mug that easy!!" he said. "It's been a fun ride. Thanks for putting up with me. You can't beat Dorothy Baber, the miracle editor who hit 40."

YesterYears & Names in Review
1955--1965--1975--1985--1995

50 Years Ago – Frenchy Vigneault helped organize the San Diego Junior Numismatic Society, which had 13 at its September meeting. Sandra Decker, the junior president, designed the wooden nickel for the CSNA convention next month at the U.S. Grant Hotel. Set of 3 sold for 40 cents. The juniors would meet in another room at the YMCA Downtown and then join with the "senior" for the auction and snack. Junior Ricky Kaufman was the auctioneer for the night. Anna Panosh gave her report from the Omaha ANA, where husband Lew was commissioned an Admiral of the Navy of Nebraska. Editor Thomas Ward said he expected Lew to show up in golden braids at the next meeting. The NASC was formed for closer relationships among collectors in the LA area. Secretary Harold Donald said NASC will hold its first convention at Hotel Clark in LA and the group will in no way compete with CSNA.

40 Years Ago – The 18-lot auction included an 1819 golf franc valued at $30, 1890 CC dollar for $8, 1957 Mexican unc 10 peso gold valued at $25, and a 1964 proof set for $15.50 – according to chair Catharine R. Edgerton. The November CSNA convention will be chaired by Al Baber, with Lew Panosh as honorary chairman. Raffle prizes will be 1963 Proof Set and an 1854 $2.50 gold coin. Librarian Margaret Mooney reviews "The Coins of the British Commonwealth of Nations" Part 2 Asian Territories for the Bulletin. Visitors to the August meeting were Mrs. James Hunt and Ben Ricks. Top four exhibit winners were Paul Hamm, Roger Sullivan, P.C. Stout, and Stu Edgerton. Judges were Aage Andersen, Frenchy Vigneault, and John Stadnyk.

30 Years Ago – Editor Dorothy Baber announced that she will be retiring at the end of 1975 and asked for someone to step forward. President James Hunt said at the board meeting that a notice for new editor would be published in the Bulletin until one is found. Exhibitors were Catherine Edgerton, Roger Sullivan, Phil Centman, Ed Raymond, and William Schultz. Polly Sullivan served refreshments. Board to raise dues to $5 from $3 in 1976.

20 Years Ago – Five SDNS members went from the ANA show in Baltimore to the Tokyo/Hong Kong International Coin Show: Al and Dorothy Baber, Pappy and Betty Young, and Irv Wool. John and Kay Lenker will report on the ANA. Member count at meeting: 26. John Lenker spoke and exhibited on the 1916 Pancho Villa Raid into New Mexico. Ted Gottschall brought Doreen's delicious cake and watermelon, which was a delight on the warm evening. Raffle prizes won by Ted, Jim Hunt, Eddie Raymond, Betty Young, Dennis Rottermoser, Cliff Rice, John Stadnyk, and Dorothy Baber.

10 Years Ago – A coin quiz posted by Editor Dorothy Baber asks: What year was the half cent with a lettered edge "Two Hundred for a Dollar" minted? And the bonnet worn by the Indian on the 1899 $5 silver certificate is of what tribe? Kay Lenker came home the big winner from the 6th Annual Golden State Coin Show: her exhibit won 1st place, and she received the CSNA Medal of Merit. Jack Hook and Kay also won Medals of Merit from Coinarama. Members totaled 18 and 13 of 'em received raffle prizes. Dorothy Baber baked a cake to serve for Martha Stevenson.

When SDNS met in North Park for the August meeting, it looked like the police were in the middle of action. But coming closer, one could see it was a community event, complete with food line, raffle, and games.

Looked like SWAT action with Police-CHP Vehicles at SDNS meeting site

New Members – Rich & Camille Horak

Meet Rich & Camille Horak of San Carlos.
They attended Coinarama, they liked what they saw, and they decided to become collectors – and they joined on their first visit to SDNS.
They're "brand new numismatic babies" and haven't decided what to start collecting.
So, introduce yourselves and welcome them!

What's coming up?

November 6 – Fall Show of Heartland Coin Club of El Cajon. Valley Masonic Lodge. Contact Lee Darnell (760) 789-7181 jyyoylee@pacbell.net

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National Champ Editor Rex Retires!

Bulletin Editor Rex Salmon surprised the club by announcing his retirement as Editor this month. Rex has delighted and enlightened the club for over two years with his colorful and educational bulletins. His efforts have not gone unnoticed outside the club, either. The *SDNS Bulletin* was named "best club publication" in the nation at the July convention of the American Numismatic Association. In addition, the *Bulletin* was recognized at the recent awards banquet of the Numismatic Association of Southern California (NASC).

Rex cited concerns about his many other duties. He maintains a website for San Diegans for Nebraska, publishes Cornhusker news lists, tracks genealogy for about a dozen family trees, and organizes reunions with a newspaper for each. No wonder he is so busy!

But as a 40-year SDNS member and collector of pre-Revolutionary Russia and U. S. common coins, he promises to keep attending the monthly meetings. We will see him there!

Okay, but don't rub it in!

San Diego Numismatic Society

Minutes of September 2005 Meeting

The 806th meeting of the Society was held September 6, 2005 in the Adult Rooms of the North Park Recreation Center with an attendance of 23. President Spindler opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

Jim Hunt's treasurer's report was read and accepted. Ginny Bourke reported on the CSNA/NASC Golden State Coin Show in Arcadia. NASC Rep Jim Hunt reported that in the Arcadia Board meeting, it was resolved that *The California Numismatist* publication would continue as before, sponsored by both CSNA and NASC.

Old Business: none.

New Business: It was announced that Rex Salmon was retiring as *Bulletin* editor and a plea was made for a new editor.

Program: Dr. Ken Burger presented a Power Point discussion of Philippine World War II Currency. He discussed the various forms of circulating currency, including Japanese Invasion Money (JIM), Philippine Treasury Certificates, Emergency and Guerilla Money. Among other topics he described the various printing processes, papers, and inks. Very innovative methods were used to manufacture the currency.

Show and Tell: Mike Shaw had a large amount of Philippine Guerilla Currency. Ginny Bourke brought the *Numismatic News* obituary of Pappy Young. Roger Sullivan showed his collection of Shooting Medals. Jim Wells had his first place award for his gold coins exhibit at GSCS, sponsored by the Hunts, and it was noted that although they have sponsored the award for several years it was the first time that the Hunts have made the award in person. Kay Lenker had her second place GSCS award in foreign coins, an award from ANA for 40 years as SDCICNC Bulletin editor, and the medal set awarded as Chair of GSCS. Ken Berger, recognizing the recent hurricane Katrina, had an 8 reales coin of 1769, the first foreign coin that he bought in New Orleans..He noted that in September 1944 a hurricane caused flooding in the New York City subway. Jim Hunt showed of his award for Best of Exonumia at GSCS. Ken Spindler brought out his Philippine type coins, counterstamped coins, but not his Baber Award for Best of Show at GSCS.

Refreshments and Raffles: Refreshments were brought and served by Wayne and Jean Dickey. Raffle prizes were won by Ginny Bourke (2), Chuck Luce, Jim Hunt, Jean Luce, Terry Cruggs, Rex Salmon (3), Wayne Dickey, and Les Peich.

Kay Edgerton Lenker
Secretary

SDNS Member Adna Wilde Named ANA's "Numismatist of the Year"

At the July convention of the American Numismatic Association, Adna G. Wilde, Jr. was named the Association's "Numismatist of the Year." Adna served ANA as executive director, president, and treasurer/parliamentarian, the latter a position he has held for over 20 years. He was born in Mississippi and joined the ANA in 1947. He retired from the Army in 1968 after a distinguished career and moved to Colorado Springs for ANA. He has received the ANA's Exemplary Service Award, Medal of Merit, and the Farran Zerbe Memorial Award for Distinguished Service. He was inducted into the ANA Hall of Fame in 2002.

After the ANA convention in San Diego in 1968, he attended the SDNS August meeting, along with ANA Vice President Herb Bergen. (At that meeting Roger Sullivan awarded Kay Edgerton with the Elise Wallace Trophy for best exhibit at the Fair – has much changed?) But Adna did not join SDNS until August 1970, when he became member 909. Members may also remember his talks at the CSNA Educational Symposium. Perhaps he can return to the club for a future meeting!

Next meeting:

Tuesday, October 4, 2005 at 6:30 p.m.

Jim Wells will present "Coin Museums on the Baltic Sea"
Refreshments provided by Jean and Chuck Luce

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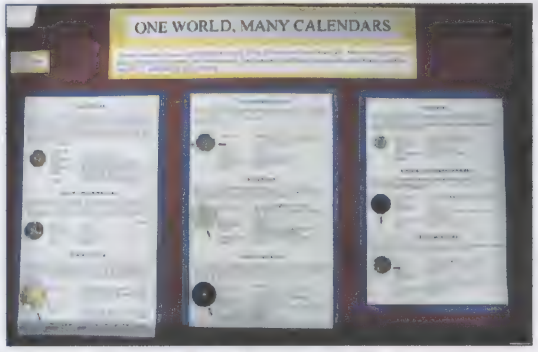
SDNS MEMBERS STRIKE GOLD AT GOLDEN STATE SHOW

Ken Spindler receives the Albert Baber Best of Show award from Master of Ceremonies Garrett Burke, designer of the California State Quarter



Ken's exhibit is a double winner

Ken also wins the John Lenker Award from sponsor Kay Lenker

Numismatists from SDNS chalked up several wins at the Golden State Coin Show held August 27-28 in Arcadia. Exhibit Chair Ginny Bourke reported that 15 exhibits filled 29 cases in five categories.

SDNS President Ken Spindler repeated his winning ways from last year. He captured the Albert L. Baber Best of Show award with his exhibit "One World, Many Calendars." Ken's exhibit demonstrated the many calendar systems used on coins, and decoded the coin dates and the GSCS show date in the unusual calendars. The exhibit also won first place in the Modern Foreign Category: the John Lenker Memorial award sponsored by Kay Lenker Ken's exhibit edged Kay's own multi-case "Wildmar on Coins" which won a Second Place. Kay was general chairman of the whole show.

Jim Hunt was another double winner; his "Lewis and Clark Exposition" won first place in the Miscellaneous Category, and also the Best o Exonumia Award sponsored by the Californi Exonumist Society.

The "Gold Dollar Firsts" exhibit by Jim Wells wor First Place in the U. S. and Foreign Gold Category sponsored by Jim and Ellen Hunt.

Kay Lenker wins Second Place in Modern Foreign from the Exhibit Chair (hey, that's Ginny Bourke!)

- Photos courtesy *The California Numismatist* / Greg Burns -

Jim Hunt's "Lewis & Clark Exposition" wins a first place, presented by Harold Katzman

Jim's exhibit also wins the Best of Exonumia Award from California Exonumist Society president Gary Beedon

Sponsor Jim Hunt presents Jim Wells a first place for his "Gold Dollar Firsts" exhibit

What's coming up?

October 4 – SDNS monthly meeting. Speaker: Jim Wells on "Coin Museums on the Baltic Sea."

October 29 – CSNA Northern Educational Symposium. Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum, Vallejo, CA.

November 6 – Fall Show of Heartland Coin Club of El Cajon. Valley Masonic Lodge. Contact Lee Darnell (760) 789-7181 jyyoylee@pacbell.net

Supreme Court Coin Has Timely Debut

The recent death of Supreme Court Chief Justice William Rehnquist and the Senate Hearings for his nominated successor, John Roberts, have been headlined in the news. These events make timely the U. S. Mint's introduction of the Marshall Commemorative Dollar. Otherwise overshadowed by this year's debut of the "Ocean in View!" and bison nickels, statehood quarters, and the Marine Corps dollar, the Marshall dollar honors the man who served 34 years as Chief Justice. Will Roberts top that record?

Designed by United States Mint sculptor/engraver John Mercanti, the obverse features a portrait of John Marshall. The reverse features a view of the Old Supreme Court Chamber, located inside the Capitol building, on the side that houses the United States Senate. This is the first United States coin (regular issue or commemorative) to feature a Supreme Court Justice or the Supreme Court as an institution.

Names from YesterYears in Review
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50 Years Ago - The club was still meeting at the downtown YMCA. Members were preparing to host the CSNA convention planned for November at the U. S. Grant hotel. The San Diego Junior Numismatic Society held another successful meeting with 18 young people and 5 adults attending. Several SDNS members have also joined the new Oceanside-Carlsbad Coin Club. Members Lew Panosh and Ed Folger have been awarded the ANA Medal of Merit.

40 Years Ago - Meetings were at Vasa Hall. Thirteen SDNS members attended the ANA convention in Houston. Our only exhibitor there, Pearl Johnson, won a second Place award for her Lincoln Medals. ANA's Farran Zerbe Memorial Award was presented to San Diego's Lew Panosh for "Distinguished service rendered to the ANA."

30 Years Ago - Meetings now held at North Park Recreational Center. Club dues are being raised from $3.00 to $5.00 yearly to meet increased postal expenses. Exhibit winners: Roger Sullivan, Phil Centman, Ed Raymond, Kay Edgerton, William Schultz. Bus reservations are being taken for the bus to the CSNA convention in Pasadena. Round-trip fare will be $5.50; we are hoping to fill the 39-seat bus. Dwight Safford provided the *Bulletin* with another interesting coin story, describing Symbols on coins: birds, insects, automobiles, ships, and musical instruments. William Schultz wrote about coins of Hejaz, a Turkish kingdom.

20 Years Ago - Member Dick Glasgow spoke on British Coins and brought a nice assortment of material to illustrate his talk. He also had a supply of sixpence, considered good luck pieces for brides. Exhibitors (not judged any more) were Kay Lenker, Howard Smith, Larry Baber, John Lenker, Mike Shaw, and Al Baber. Dorothy Baber reported on her VIP tour of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the Capitol Building, and the Smithsonian after the ANA convention in Baltimore. After one day at home, she and Al departed for Tokyo and Hong Kong.

10 Years Ago - Competition continued for the monthly "Coin Quiz" with four new questions in the *Bulletin*. Dues are now $6.00. At the last meeting, Show and Tell was presented by Mike Shaw, Roger Sullivan, Eric Millman, and Al Baber. This year's officers are President Virginia Bourke, Veep Dorothy Baber, Secretary Kay Lenker, and Treasurer Larry Baber. On the Board are Floyd Murphy, Mike Shaw, Phil Centman, Jean Luce, Pat Hook, Jim Hunt, and Roger Sullivan.

October's Coin of Month: 2005 Quarter

Raffle for October:

1. 2005 P & D Mint Set
2. 2002 & 2003 P & D 50¢
3. 1906, 1907, 1908 Indian Cents
4. 1976 Proof Set
5. Autographed Calif. 25¢ Cachet
6. 2005 P & D Ocean In View 5¢ Rolls
7. 1968 Mexico 25 Peso
8. 2004 - 2005 P & D 50¢
9. 1963 D Franklin 50¢
10. 2005 Westward Journey Nickel Series

From the (new) Editor:

Well, who would be foolhardy enough to succeed a national champion bulletin editor? I guess I can give it a try, but those are big shoes to fill. Rex has won many well-deserved awards for his excellent *Bulletins*. Before him, Dorothy Baber turned these out for over 40 years. I don't have any aspirations for matching either of their accomplishments. I have NONE of Rex's vast journalism and photography experience, and am struggling to patch (literally) this edition together, scanning and fumbling with several resistant fonts and computer programs. Hope the club bears with me for a while.

Meantime, club members CAN help by submitting ideas, articles, inputs, or comments. Email me at my address below, call, or see me at the meetings. After all, it is the *Bulletin's* purpose to keep members informed. As I read over the "LVIII" volumes of old *Bulletins* (and that's a huge stack!), I see that the former editors did a lot of reporting on their own, but also had frequent articles and inputs from other members. Please contribute! Meanwhile, I'm off to Costco/ Staples/Kinkos/Post Office for more tools and materials.

Wish me luck,
Jim

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ALBERT BABER EXHIBIT AWARD ENDS 21-YEAR CSNA RUN

The Albert L. Baber Best in Show award has been won by top exhibitors at many conventions of the California State Numismatic Association (CSNA) since 1984. The award is now being retired.

Over these 21 years, 30 Baber awards have been made at CSNA semi-annual conventions. At some conventions, Best in Show awards were sponsored by co-hosts NASC or COIN.

The award is named for long-time San Diego numismatist Al Baber. Al started collecting coins when his wife Dorothy gave him a bag of Lincoln cents and a "Red Book" to help Al recuperate from a mild heart attack in 1954. This started a 45-year involvement in numismatics, where he volunteered and was very active in local, state, regional, and national organizations in a variety of capacities.

He served as President of SDNS, the San Diego County Inter-Club Numismatic Council, California Exonumist Society, La Mesa Numismatic Society, Convair Coineers, and the CSNA. He was a frequent exhibitor and consistent award winner at local and regional coin shows in California until he died in 1999.

Al Baber, Exhibitor Extraordinaire

Al's numismatic honors included the CSNA Medal of Merit, ANA Medal of Merit, SDCICNC Medal of Merit, Krause Numismatic Ambassador Award, Token and Medals Society Medal of Merit, and ANA's Glen Smedley Memorial Award,

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San Diego Numismatic Society

Minutes of October 2005 Meeting

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Old Business: None.

New Business: Ken Spindler said that he would buy the case that SDNS is holding. Coin for November will be Mercury dime, coin for December will be the new Buffalo nickel. December will be the Donation Auction, with linguini and meatballs by Rex Salmon. Ginny Bourke presented Dorothy Baber with an award of excellence from ANA, and a marble coaster and Certificate of Commendation from CES President Turrini for editing *The Medallion* for 10 years. Lee Darnell announced that Heartland had tables for $40 for their show on November 6. Ken Spindler announced that INSSD would have a mini-bourse on October 26th.

Program: Jim Wells gave a power point presentation COIN MUSEUMS ON THE BALTIC SEA. He and his wife cruised between ANA and GSCS. They visited Copenhagen Stockholm, Riga, Helsinki, Tallinn and St. Petersburg. They had done their homework and knew where to find a money museum in each port and he had pictures of some of the treasures.

Show and Tell: Jack Hook has 190 gold coins as listed in GOLD COINS OF THE WORLD. He showed a coin from Ceylon 1070 AD. Roger Sullivan had two specimens of the Japanese Order of the Rising Sun. Kay Lenker had quarter boards for 2005-2006, which she made available to members. Jim Hunt had a Vatican City Mint Set of John Paul II. Larry Baber shared an 1898 Medal U.S. Navy West Indian Campaign April 1898-August 1898, awarded to an individual on USS Howard; the medal was designed by Charles Barber. Ken Spindler brought his awards from GSCS: Lenker award for 1st place and Baber award for Best in Show for ONE WORLD MANY CALENDARS. He also had coins from the Baltic States. Seven 2005 quarters went home with Chuck Luce. The goodie jar was claimed by Jack Hook again. Refreshments were served by Chuck Luce assisted by Wayne Dickey. Raffle prizes were won by Mike Shaw, Chuck Luce, Camille Horak (2), Ginny Bourke, Dave Jones(2), Kay Lenker (2), Ellen Hunt, Joyce Darnell, Wayne Dickey, Terry Cruggs and Rex Salmon (2). Les Peich donated some Red Books that were used as prizes.

Respectfully submitted:

Kay Edgerton Lenker, Secretary

What is a Conder Token?

(a) An English token from Queen Victoria's era that looked so authentic to her that it *"conned 'er"*?

(b) A token from the British equivalent of our "Hard Times" period, catalogued by James *Conder*?

(c) A predecessor token or coin to the California State Quarter that shows our state bird, the *conder*?

Come to the November meeting to hear Ginny Bourke explain the Who, What, Where, Why, and When of *Conder Tokens* - but not necessarily in that order!

Next meeting:

Tuesday, November 1, 2005 at 6:30 p.m.

Ginny Bourke will present "Conder Tokens"

Refreshments provided by Ginny Bourke and Dorothy Baber

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December 6	Benefit & Auction	Rex's linguini, marinara, meatballs
January 4	Installation Dinner	*We all are – be there!*

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BABER AWARD, *continued from page 1*

shared with Dorothy. Of all his honors, Al was most proud of his appointment to the U. S. President's Assay Commission in 1969.

Al presents Kay Lenker with 1999 Award

Al's enthusiasm for coins rubbed off on his family. Wife Dorothy has served as secretary, vice president, and president of six coin organizations, including SDNS. She has received ANA's Medal of Merit, Outstanding District Delegate, and ANA's highest honor, the Farran Zerbe Memorial Award for Distinguished Service. Their son Larry started collecting coins on his paper route in the 1950s, and has been president of the Hawaii State Numismatic Society, the Maui Coin Club, and SDNS. An award winning exhibitor, he served two years as ANA's chief judge. Larry's wife Cecilia frequently volunteers her time at ANA conventions.

Al, Dorothy, and Larry have all been designated ANA Goodfellows as past general chairs of ANA conventions. The entire family received the ANA's 2003 Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of outstanding contributions to organized numismatics.

The Al Baber Best in Show award for CSNA was established by Al's son Larry in 1984. Larry was on the CSNA board when the Abe Kosoff Foundation ended its sponsorship of Best in Show Awards. After conferring with his dad and wife, Larry agreed to sponsor future awards. The first two winners received a clock and a silver-plated ice bucket. Larry preferred to award medals instead of plaques or trophies. Larry's daughter April Hiilani (Baber) Shawcroft designed the medals when she was about 12 years old, and her initials AHB appeared on the medals.

Kay Lenker has won the most times, with five winning exhibits. Tom Fitzgerald has four wins, and Al Lo and Gary Acquistapace, three each. Two wins have been recorded by Phil Iversen and Larry Tapper. Kay, Tom, and Phil are all SDNS members, as is the final winner, Ken Spindler.

Sponsor Larry Baber and Dorothy Baber flank the final winner, Ken Spindler

Baber Award Winners at CSNA Semi-Annual Conventions

75th	Barbara Hyde	Oct 1984
76th	Victor Titoff	Apr 1985
77th	Kay Lenker	Oct 1985
78th	Tom Fitzgerald	Apr 1986
79th	Kay Lenker	Oct 1986
80th	David Lange	May 1987
81st	Tom Fitzgerald	Nov 1987
82nd	Gary Acquistapace	May 1988
83rd	Ethel Lenhert	Nov 1988
84th	Tom Fitzgerald	May 1989
85th	No Baber Award Issued	Sep 1989
86th	No Baber Award Issued	Jan 1990
87th	Al Lo	Sep 1990
88th	No Baber Award Issued	Jan 1991
89th	Kay Lenker	Nov 1991
90th	Bill Grant	Feb 1992
91st	No Baber Award Issued	Jan 1993
92nd	No Baber Award Issued	Jun 1993
93rd	Gary Acquistapace	Jan 1994
94th	No Baber Award Issued	Sep 1994
95th	Al Lo	Jan 1995
96th	Kay Lenker	Sep 1995
97th	Kevin Malloy	Jan 1996
98th	Angus Bruce	Sep 1996
99th	Chuck White	Jan 1997
100th	No Baber Award Issued	Jun 1997
101st	No Baber Award Issued	Sep 1997
102nd	Robert Myles	Jan 1998
103rd	No Baber Award Issued	Aug 1998
104th	Kay Lenker	Jan 1999
105th	Tom Fitzgerald	Aug 1999
106th	Phil Iversen	Feb 2000
107th	No Baber Award Issued	Aug 2000
108th	Phil Iversen	Feb 2001
109th	Larry Tapper	Aug 2001
110th	Mike Turrini	Feb 2002
111th	No Baber Award Issued	Aug 2002
112th	Gary Aquistapace	Jan 2003
113th	Larry Tapper	Aug 2003
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116th	Al Lo	Jan 2005
117th	Ken Spindler	Aug 2005

October Meeting Photos

534, who's got ticket number 534? Wayne Dickey and Chuck Luce call another winning number in the auction, as Ellen Hunt (left), Lee Darnell, and Ken Spindler (right) watch carefully.

Dorothy Honored Again. Ginny Bourke (right) presents Dorothy Baber with an award from the California Exonumist Society for editing their journal *The Medallion* for ten years.

Where's this from? Les Peich (left) and Everett Jones inspect show-and-tell exhibits.

Was your Last *Bulletin* Stapled? Longtime editor Dorothy Baber presents new editor Jim Wells with the essential equipment to make it happen.

Names from YesterYears in Review
1955--1965--1975--1985--1995

50 Years Ago – No Bulletin issued! (Apparently the October 1955 issue was the last for 14 months. The next one-page issue was dated December 1956, revived by Paul Hamm and Francis Jones after a "conspicuous absence" since the former editor was overwhelmed with other duties.)

40 Years Ago – Members were planning for the CSNA convention to be held at the El Cortez Hotel. Lew Panosh was the Honorary Chairman and Al Baber the General Chairman. At the November meeting, Edwin Sawyer showed slides of his recent visit to Russia. Catharine Edgerton was Auction Chairman with 36 lots. Dwight Safford wrote about the 1915 Panama Pacific Commemorative coins.

30 Years Ago – President Jim Hunt announced that meeting start times would be changed from 8:00 pm to 7:45 pm to meet the required closing time. Meeting speaker was a San Diego policeman speaking on "How to Increase the Security of our Homes." Ted Gottschall exhibited a San Diego Commemorative Half Dollar, then donated it to the club after learning that the club's collection did not include one. Veep Roger Sullivan led the Exhibit standings, followed by Kay, Phil, and Ed Raymond.

20 Years Ago – Larry Baber spoke on his favorite topic – Charles Barber and his commemorative coins. He exhibited several of Barber's coins. The Statue of Liberty/Ellis Island commemorative first striking ceremonies were held; John and Kay Lenker attended at the San Francisco mint, and Larry Baber attended in West Point, NY. Roger Sullivan is a new director for the Orders and Medals Society of America (OMSA) and Kay Lenker is the new Treasurer of the Numismatic Literary Guild (NLG).

10 Years Ago – Last month Ruthann Brettell, from the ANA, spoke on "Funny things that have happened to her in her experiences as Convention Director." In November, Kay Lenker was scheduled to speak on "A Numismatic Trip to Russia."

November's Coin of Month: Mercury dime
December's Coin of Month: 2005 Buffalo Nickel

Raffle for November:

1. 2005 P&D Mint Set
2. 2004 P&D Rolls Boat
3. One Ounce Silver Round
4. 2005 P&D 5¢ Rolls Ocean View
5. 2002 & 2003 P&D Kennedy 50¢
6. 1982 Proof Set
7. 2000 Proof Set
8. 2005 P&D 5¢ Rolls Bison
9. 2004 & 2005 P&D Kennedy 50¢
10. 2005 Proof Set

Chuck Luce, Rafflemeister

The a-MAZE-ing California Quarter

In the news, and shown on the David Letterman Show, is this giant version of the 2005 California State Quarter. It is displayed at the G&M Farms Pumpkin Patch and Corn MAiZE, 487 East Airway Blvd, Livermore, California. Sorry, the MAiZE closes October 31! (Photo from http://www.cornfieldmaze.com/sites.php?ID=&username=calivermore as provided by Garrett, Michelle, and Katie Burke, who know something about this design. *Thanks to Ginny for the tip.*)

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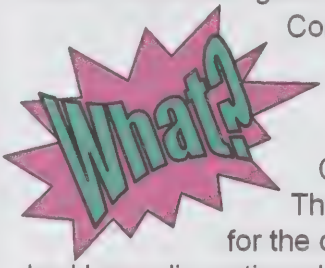
What is a Conder Token?

Members who attended the November club meeting were treated to Ginny Bourke's presentation on the fascinating Conder tokens. No, they aren't related to the California ~~Conder~~, er, Condor.

Ginny cleared up the *what, why, when, where,* and *who* about these numismatic gems.



Conder tokens are the Provincial token coinage issued during the 18th Century in England. They were substitutes for the copper coinage that had been discontinued by King George III.

These tokens were named for James Conder, who wrote a two-volume Octavo-sized tome over 328 pages long, twenty years after the tokens had been discontinued. Conder had issued tokens to advertise his drapery business in Ipswitch. The subjects on the tokens could be anything the issuer wanted. Most of the early ones promoted various businesses. Later, political and social issues became popular themes. People collected them carefully, which is why so many have survived today. *(continued on page 4)*

Ginny provides the answers about Condor tokens

San Diego Numismatic Society

Minutes of November 2005 Meeting

The 808th meeting of the Society was held November 1, 2005, in the Adult Rooms of the North Park Recreation Center. Attendance was 24 and two guests. The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag led by President Spindler. Jim Hunt gave the treasurer's report. Ginny Bourke reported that CSNA would meet in San Jose January 12-15. ANA conventions will be in Atlanta April 7-9, and Denver August 15-19. Kay Lenker reported that NASC had its quarterly board meeting October 30 in Arcadia. SDCICNC Council will meet November 5.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Our scheduled meeting for next July is on Independence Day and will be rescheduled. Elections were held for the SDNS board positions for 2006. Dorothy Baber and Ellen Hunt agreed to extend for the next three years. Terry Cruggs will take Dave Jones's 2-year spot. Mike Shaw moved that the nominations be closed. It was approved and a white ballot was cast. Installation dinner will be at Coco's Restaurant on January 3.

Chuck Luce announced that we have autographed California quarter cachets available at $7 with the quarter, or $1 without the quarter but autographed. Dorothy Baber moved that Chuck should decide; second and carried.

Program: Ginny Bourke spoke on CONDER TOKENS; the British Provincial coins, tokens, and medalettes issued in the 18th Century. King George III had discontinued copper coinage as unnecessary. However others thought otherwise, and tokens with inferior designs were minted. They were accepted overnight, and the king didn't care. Supply exceeded demand and quality went down. They were issued as halfpenny, penny, and twopence. Ginny passed around examples.

Show and Tell: Jack Hook brought Halloween candy. Roger Sullivan had a variety of items including a light bulb with a dollar bill inside, a medal of the Great White Fleet, and Canadian cents. Ken Spindler had type coins from Danzig. Ken Berger had brochures on the new $10 bill. Jim Hunt had a Chief Justice Marshall silver dollar. Thirteen silver dimes went home with Chuck Luce. Name drawn for the goodie jar was Camille Horak, who was absent. Refreshments were served by Dorothy Baber and Ginny Bourke. Raffle prizes were won by Wayne Dickey, Rex Salmon (4), Jim Hunt, Kay Lenker (2), Ginny Bourke, Chuck Luce, Jean Luce, Mike Shaw, Terry Higgins, and guest Mark Vezzola (2). Kay Lenker provided the guests with quarter boards.

Respectfully submitted:

Kay Edgerton Lenker, Secretary

December's Coin of the Month: 2005 Buffalo Nickel

(Note: No raffle in December)

Exchange your coin(s) of the month for a drawing ticket and a chance to win all that are brought!

THIS MONTH: The 2005 Spring Reverse Design: "American Bison" The first of two new reverses on the 2005-dated nickel features the American bison, recognizing the American Indians and wildlife encountered by the Lewis and Clark expedition. Expedition journals described the buffalo, and it was an animal of great significance to American Indian culture.

Don't get "buffaloed" by these look-alikes:

The 1913-1938 Indian Head, or Buffalo Nickel - this design showcases the native beauty of the American West. It is widely believed that the bison was modeled after "Black Diamond" from the New York Zoo.

The 2005 Kansas Statehood Quarter – that incorporates two of the State's most beloved symbols, the state animal and flower, the buffalo and the sunflower.

The 2001 American Buffalo Silver Dollar - based on the original 5-cent Buffalo nickel, as designed by James Earle Fraser.

Bring your donations!

Note 6 p.m. Start time!

Next meeting:

Tues, Dec. 6, 2005 at 6:00 p.m.

ANNUAL DONATION AUCTION

Donate your jellies, cookies, treats, Christmas items, and numismatic items - and bring your cash to join the fun!

Linguini, Marinara, meatballs, and cake from Rex Salmon (bring $3 for food, and your own plate and table service)

Meetings on First Tuesday of each month

North Park Adult Center, 2719 Howard Street, San Diego

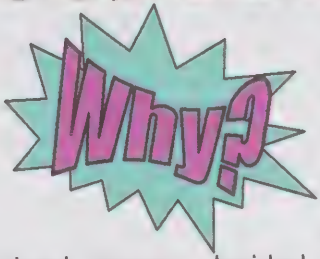
Date	*Program*
January 3	Installation Dinner – Coco's Resturant, 2644 El Cajon Blvd.

Programs & Refreshment Volunteer Hotline: (619) 479-1786

Please call VP Dave Jones if you would share knowledge of your numismatic interest in a program.

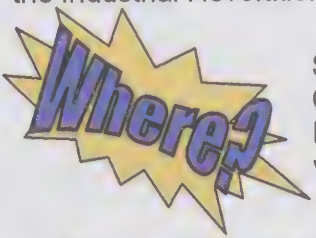
Speakers should limit their presentation to 20-25 minutes to allow enough time for all of the club's events.

Conder Tokens (from page 1)

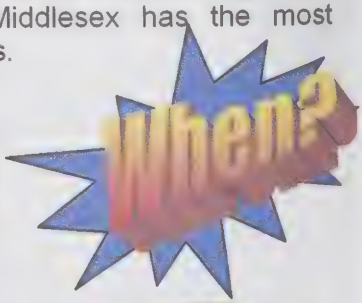


In 1775, King George III decided that he didn't see any need for small coins for his subjects. By 1787, the coinage used in daily transactions was hard to read, easy to copy and there were many counterfeits. The Parys Mining Company in Anglessey, Wales, had access to a coining press and since they mined copper, decided to issue their own half-pennies and pennies, using the official weight and size. These "tokens" were accepted eagerly and soon anyone with a minting press was turning out tokens. Matthew Boulton's tokens were very popular due to their beauty. Boulton partnered with James Watt and their efficient coining machines and steam engines helped power the Industrial Revolution in England.

Peace Plenty & Liberty



Tokens were made all over England, Wales, Scotland, and Ireland and were shipped to the Colonies. The area around Cambridge and London known as Middlesex has the most varieties and quantities.



Tokens were issued between 1787 and 1796. By 1797, King George III decided the common people needed a currency after all, and he authorized large copper pennies and twopence, which were dubbed "Cartwheels."

Coventry Halfpenny

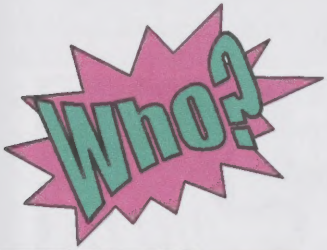
Lady Godiva on horseback

Industry Leads to Honour

Pro Rege et Patria
(For King and Country)

Honour

Odd Fellows
Quis Rides



Businesses and individuals issued the tokens, mainly in half-farthing, farthing, half-penny and penny denominations. Half-twopence and sixpence are also known. While mostly issued in copper, silver tokens were also struck, even in proof. Many, but not all, have incuse writing on the edge to identify where the token could be accepted as money.

The issuance of the 1797 Cartwheels made the tokens obsolete. By 1797, the token supply had overcome demand, counterfeits were rampant and they had obviously outlived their usefulness.

Ginny issues the scoop

The tokens were made in thousands of varities, and designs are often intricate and beautiful.

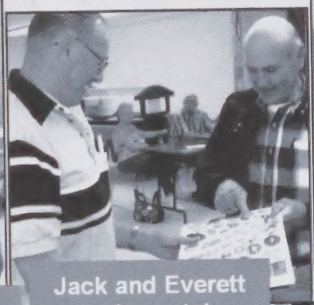
The standard reference book today is *The Provincial Token Coinage of the Eighteenth Century* by Dalton and Hamer.

George III's cartwheels in 1797 ended the need for tokens.

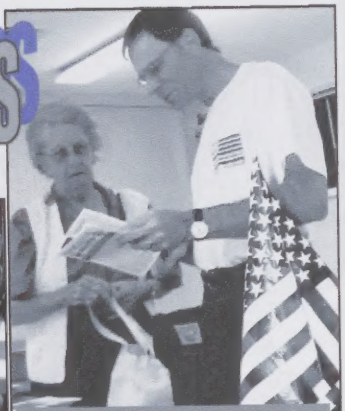
November Meeting Photos

Thanks to Rex!

Greetings, Les!



Jack and Everett check a catalog



Sec'y Kay and Prez Ken preview the agenda

Lance and Ken B. examine some treasures

Jean and Chuck are ready to raffle

Ken S. shows off his coins to Mark and T.C.

Goodies by Dorothy and Ginny

Roger's bright idea

The gang's all here!

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50 Years Ago – The *Bulletin* was on vacation until December 1956!

40 Years Ago – SDNS President Joe Givens was forced to resign because his job prevented him from attending evening meetings. VP Aage Andersen became Acting President for the remainder of the year, and was nominated for President for the upcoming year. Other nominees elected: VP Stu Edgerton, Secretary Les Peich, and Treasurer Lowell Lundberg. Jim Hunt and Dick Martin were elected to Board positions. Raymond Toy spoke on World War II military currency, from his recent book. Brothers Harold and Philip Centman applied for membership.

30 Years Ago – The traditional December Donation Auction brought $78 in funds for prizes at the Installation Dinner. Ralph 'Curly' Mitchell of the Franklin Mint presented an exhibit on the 80 steps "From the Mine to Franklin Mint Issues." Annual dues were raised from $3.00 to $5.00, but the vote was not unanimous! Mattie and Irving Knickerbocker were recognized at the recent CSNA convention for having attended all 57 conventions. They received a pair of 'gold' loving cups.

20 Years Ago – SDNS recently hosted the Joint Meeting of San Diego clubs. At the Joint Meeting, Kay Lenker won the Knickerbocker trophy for best exhibit, which was relinquished by last year's winner, Everett Jones. Harvey Rose spoke to SDNS on Christmas in our Hobby – as illustrated with post cards, Christmas seals, stamps, and medals. Elected as officers for next year were President Larry Baber, VP Lloyd Lindemer, Secretary Kay Lenker, and Treasurer Paulina Hoover. John Stadnyk and John Lenker were elected to the Board.

10 Years Ago – The Christmas Potluck and white elephant auction was attended by 21 members. A moment of silence was observed for the passing of life member Francis Jones, former SDNS President and recipient of the Medal of Merit. Roger Sullivan presented a program on Pearl Harbor, the Purple Heart and its story, and the USS Arizona. Chuck Luce showed off his new book *Coin Club Medals of San Diego County*, a compilation of all medals issued by coin clubs within the County through 1995.

WEST VIRGINIA QUARTER CELEBRATES ENGINEERING TRIUMPH

The New River Gorge Bridge, the longest steel-arch bridge in the United States, graces the West Virginia commemorative quarter-dollar, the newest coin in the U. S. Mint's 50 State Quarters Program. Mint Acting Director David A. Lebryk and West Virginia Governor Joe Manchin III launched the new quarter-dollar October 14 at the State Capitol Building in Charleston. The West Virginia quarter also captures the scenic beauty of the "Mountain State" with its depiction of the New River Gorge National River. The river flows through deep canyons, and is among the Nation's oldest rivers. At 3,030 feet, with an arch length of 1,700 feet, the New River Gorge Bridge is the longest steel arch bridge in the country.

The West Virginia quarter is the fourth (of potentially five) United States coins to feature a bridge. The others:

Burnside Bridge on 1937 Antietam Commemorative half dollar

San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge on 1936 half dollar

Pell Bridge on 2001 Rhode Island state quarter

Proposed "Bridge to Nowhere" on future 2008 Alaska state quarter (??)

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